

Stanley & Switzer
Motto: "Live and Let Live."

XMAS PRICES.
Apples, \$1.40 to \$1.80 per box.
Oranges, 20c. to 45c. per doz.

Feed and Produce Merchants
Phone No. 100 Ring 4

The Western Globe.

Lacombe, Alta.

Bowlers

High score for five pins this week
box of cigars.
High score for ten pins, till Dec.
24, turkey.
Last week's winner, Del Garland,
227.

ATHLETIC BOWLING ALLEY

VOLUME VIII

CHAS. B. HALPIN, Editor and Manager

LACOMBE, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1913

ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

**Wish You All
A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year**

Morrison & Johnston Ltd.
Hardware Furniture Implements

We wish all our friends and patrons a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

C. R. DENIKE

Quality Jeweler, Lacombe.

*Remember our new location, opp. Merchants' Bank.

The MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA

Established 1864

Paid up Capital and Reserve Funds.....\$13,000,000

Head Office: MONTREAL

E. F. HEBDEN - General Manager

LOANS negotiated; DRAFTS bought and sold.
ACCOUNTS of firms and individuals received on most favorable terms.
SAVINGS BANK—Interest allowed at highest Bank rate.

Lacombe Branch **W. A. SHIELDS, Manager**
Documents and Valuables held for clients—our vaults free of charge.

FOR SALE—COAL COAL
DR. J. B. HARRINGTON, V.S.

Delay in Buying Gifts May Mean Disappointment

The last days before Christmas are always days of hurry and rush which are apt to cause indiscriminate buying. People who select gifts early get the cream.

A visit to our store now will settle all of your gift problems. You'll find something suitable for every name on your list. Your holiday money will go farther here, because we bought heavily and right and are giving our customers the advantage of the saving.

Come Early and Often

We want you to visit our store as often as possible. You will not be urged to buy. Our goods sell themselves. Our stock contains gifts for every member of the family. Extra help has been provided so that you can be sure of prompt attention when you come. Prices are down to bed rock, so nothing can be gained—but much will be lost—by postponing your holiday shopping until the busy days just before Christmas.

MAKE OUT YOUR LIST AND COME IN NOW.

The McDermid Drug Company, Ltd.

Remnant Sale---Great Reductions on The Regular Prices

Friday December the 26th starts OUR GREAT REMNANT SALE. Odds and Ends in Smallwares, Dry Goods, Ready-to-wear, and Men's Wear are offered at BARGAIN PRICES. Economise by Shopping at "The Store of Better Values."

Bargain Prices on Women's Staple Dresses \$6.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00

For as long as they last we are offering for sale a sample lot of Women's Dresses at One-Third their regular value; about one dozen in all, made up on next Spring's styles in materials which can be worn now.
Women's one-piece Dress of high-grade all pure wool Navy Serge. Low collar trimmed with Navy Velvet and Buttons; sleeved trimmed to match, four Velvet Buttons down the front; high waist skirt made quite plain and trimmed with four Navy Velvet Buttons; beautifully made throughout; Special Sale Price \$6.00

Other and equally good Values in these Dresses range in price from \$8.00 to \$10.00

REMNANTS IN MEN'S UNDERWEAR \$1.50

Regular \$2.00 quality Men's heavy ribbed Woolen Undervests and Drawers; a line of Undergarments we thoroughly recommend for Winter, and are unshrinkable; nearly all wanted styles in stock; Sale, per garment \$1.50

35c to 75c FANCY LINENS at 25c

Fancy Doilies, Tray Cloths, Runners, etc., lace trimmed and embroidered; Sale 25c.

35c to \$1.00 NECKWEAR REMNANTS 25c

GREAT REDUCTIONS ON WOMEN'S COAT PRICES

Twelve only and every one of them this season's buying. The Regular Prices range from \$22.00 to \$30.00. One-Third Off Regular Prices.

\$27.50 to \$18.50

Women's Winter Coat of Grey and Black Diagonal Stripe Wool Curl Cloth, in a heavy quality, 52 inches long, large convertible collar of Black Curl Cloth; full gauntlet cuffs, handsome black silk braid Frog fastening, lined throughout with all pure silk Black Satin, man tailored; an exquisite model; \$27.50; Sale \$18.50



\$24.00 to \$15.00

Women's Winter Coat of Rich Navy and White Jacquard or Wool Brocade material; one of Fashion's favored models; large lapels and convertible collar of Black Silk Plush; full gauntlet cuffs to match; five smart Bone Buttons of black, lined to waist Black Linen Back Satin; man tailored throughout; beautifully finished; \$24.00; Sale \$16.00

CLEAN UP PRICES ON WOMEN'S FUR TRIMMED COATS

Sizes 34 to 42, made of best quality heavy Black Beaver and Melton Cloths, well lined, trimmed with large Fur collars.
Regular \$27.50 quality \$20.00
Regular \$32.50 quality \$22.00

Remnants in Piece Goods Marked at Practically Half Price

Odd and Short Lengths of Prints, English and Canadian; Gingham in all good colors for House Dresses or Aprons, etc.; Shirtings, Flannelettes, in colored stripes, medium or dark colors, also plain Grey or White, lengths very from 2 to 7 yards, all marked at Clearance Prices.

Dress Goods Remnants accumulated during the past season, and which must be cleared before stocktaking, include Serges, mostly Navy, Knop Hopseys, Panamas, Whipcords, Bedford Cords, Boucle Cloths, and Tweeds. All the most fashionable materials in good colors; many useful lengths. Prices are very low on these, and start from, per yard 20c.

Remnants of Silk, lovely colors and good quality Silks, in double and single width, all marked to clear at Bargain Prices.

GIRL'S FLEECE LINED UNDERWEAR 35c

This reduction to HALF PRICE will insure a ready clearance of these good firm Winter Fleece Lined Undergarments for girls, ages 6 to 12 years; Price 35c.

Children's Plush Lined Sleepers at great reductions on the regular prices, well made little garments, 1 to 6 years; Regularly sold 75c to \$1.00; Sale at, each 65c.

\$1.00 to \$20.00 WOMEN'S WINTER COATS \$8.90

F. E. McLEOD

"The Store of Better Values"

LACOMBE

S. W. PAISLEY

The Pioneer Auctioneer
LACOMBE - ALBERTA

If you are contemplating holding an Auction Sale this Fall or Winter, see me for terms. I have had a wide experience in conducting Farm Sales, and guarantee satisfaction. Sales held in any part of the Province. Phone or Write me at Lacombe.

Coal, Wood & Ice

EXPRESS, DRAYING
AND SOFT WATER
TERMS CASH

C. B. Zielie

Eight Per Cent. Money

on Farm Security in any amount
and on usual terms of repayment.
No needless expense, publicity or
delay if you do your business with

John McKenty, Day Block, Lacombe

-- Snaps in Buggies --

I have on hand a few Buggies
which I will clear out at a big discount
for cash. Call at the warehouse and
see them.

Jas. Gourlay

Agent

Lacombe

Joseph Marshall Land Company.

Wild and Improved Farms for Sale
Loans and Insurance
Dealers in Live Stock

Joseph Marshall, Auctioneer, Commissioner,
RIMBEY - ALBERTA

Lacombe Iron Works

General Blacksmith Work of all kinds. Horse-
shoeing, Plow Work, Wood Work, Machine
Work. Agents for the Stevens' Brush Cutter.
Prices are Right and Satisfaction Guaranteed.
— CASH PAID FOR OLD IRON —

A. D. Watson

Nanton Street

Lacombe, Alta.

C. D. ALDRIDGE.

E. T. BRADSHAW.

MAKE MONEY While You Sleep

Get in ahead of the new Railways and buy land in THE FAMOUS MEDICINE VALLEY. Medicine Valley has long been recognized as one of the most productive valleys in Canada, but on account of lack of Railway facilities, development has been held back. But now with the new roads we already have and the one which is under construction, also the largest coal fields in the world right at our door, it gives us assurance of the best markets and highest-priced land in Alberta. Today we can sell you improved lands right along the C. N. R. survey at from \$12 to \$25 per acre, that in two years will be worth double that price.

For full particulars and a square deal, see

Stage to Wittenburg & Medicine Valley Tuesdays, Weds. & Sat.

The Medicine Valley Land Company

Wittenburg

Alberta

MONEY TO LOAN

Private Funds to Loan on Mortgage.

Agent for National Trust Co.

F. VICKERSON, AGENT

Lacombe, Alberta

Burning Gas (Coal Oil)

It Outshines Gas or Electricity

HERE is an oil-burning lamp which produces a flood of pure, white light—more brilliant than gas or electricity—yet wonderfully mellow and easy on the eyes. It is simple and safe, clean and noiseless, does not fill the room with odorous, unhealthy fumes. To have a better lighted home, with an

Aladdin Mantle Lamp

will actually cost you nothing. It will pay for itself in a few days. I am the agent for the Mantle Lamp, a product of America, and am willing you should know as to whether it is a better light than gas or electricity. I have a complete stock of all the latest styles of lamps on the market. As the Aladdin is made in America, it is the most economical to use. But you must see it to believe it. I will be glad to let you see it.

TRY an Aladdin Lamp in Your Home Before You Buy

I furnish Table, Bracket, Hanging, Wall and Chandelier types of Aladdin Lamps for every purpose. You drop in a post card and simply say you are interested. I will be glad to show you and leave in your home a light or two, entirely without obligation. Mail the card today.

A. H. BLAIR

Stanley St., near school, LACOMBE

Lacombe District News

Castor News

Miss Pedley, who has been teaching in this district during the last seven months, left for her home in the east on Tuesday morning of this week, and was accompanied by her friend, Miss Forest, of the telephone staff, who will spend her Christmas and New Years with relatives in the eastern States.

The result of the three ties in the Sullivan Lake municipal election, as reported in the last issue of the Advance, was decided on Monday last by returning officer C. N. Hughes, when, as the result of drawing for first position, the lot fell on the side of the party which leaves the constitution of the council as at present, with L. Biernecks as the additional member.

An interesting evidence of the commercial development of the town, is to the town, is indicated by a record established during the last few days in connection with the Pekin Theatre. As is well known, Mr. Leach operates his electric lights by the assistance of a gasoline engine which, under the old system of using gasoline, cost him \$1.00 every night he was open. Mr. Leach was one of the first men in town to install natural gas in his engine, with the result that he is now operating the same at a cost of eight cents per night.

At the regular meeting of the town council, held in the upper room of the town hall, under the beautiful glare of the natural gas lamp, with which the hall has been illuminated, which was attended by all the members of the council, with the exception of Dr. McPherson (who has been in the hospital for a few days), a most important matter under discussion was the relation of the school board to the town council. It was not in the nature of either a quarrel or an attempt at interference, but a cool, deliberate discussion of the fact that 61 per cent of the town's whole revenue was absorbed by the public schools, and incidentally a passing reference to the ambition of Trustee Colley, who was reported as desirous of spending double the amount in the same way.

Commissioner Browne was interrogated as to whether he had received any financial statement from the board, who stated that he had not, although he had been promised it on several occasions. Mayor Ilsey suggested that the proceedings of the school board should be reported in the local paper as the council meetings are, as the ratepayers have the same right to be informed as to the way their money is being spent and their business transacted. It was finally agreed that a round table conference between the school board and town council would be desirable.

We wish to call your attention to the fact that most infectious diseases, such as whooping cough, diphtheria and scarlet fever are contracted when the child has a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will quickly cure a cold and greatly lessen the danger of contracting these diseases. This remedy is famous for its cures of colds. It contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given to a child with implicit confidence. For sale by City Pharmacy. (1)

Ponoka News

SMITH—On Wednesday, Dec. 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Usona, a son.

LINDENWOOD—On Sunday, Dec. 14, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Lindenwood, a daughter.

FARRAND—On Monday, Dec. 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Farrand, a daughter.

FARRELL—On Saturday, Nov. 22, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Farrell, a daughter.

At Knox Church, Moose, W. Sask., on Tuesday, December 9th, Homer William Farrum and Miss Ruby Lillian Bayless, were united in marriage by the Rev. C. E. A. Pocock, B.A.

At the Methodist parsonage, Lacombe, on Monday, December 8th, the marriage took place of George Bright, Ponoka, and Miss Rose Lewis, of Morningstar, Rev. Mr. Sprague officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Bright will make their home in town.

Clive News Notes

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church held a ten-cent tea recently at the residence of Mrs. B. F. Allison, realizing a nice little sum for the funds. Quite a number attended, including many of the gentlemen, who remembered the good time at the last tea.

The winners of the continuous prizes at the Clive Whist Club were Ester Allison and Mr. B. F. Allison.

C. Henn, of Alis, expects to move to Clive by Christmas.

Mrs. John Thorpe and children left on the 12th for Winnipeg, where they expect to visit for the balance of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher's little boy, Fred, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Lacombe hospital on the 12th.

Alix News

At the last election of the Masonic Lodge, the following officers were elected for 1914:

W. M., H. W. Panrucker.
S. W., E. A. Tate.
J. W., R. D. Carr.
Secretary, C. A. Bateman.
Treasurer, J. M. Bell.
S. D., H. G. Finch.
J. D., J. C. Palmer.
S. S., J. R. Mackie.
J. S., H. H. Hall.
Organist, G. H. Darlow.
D. of C., Jas. Brindle.

Thanks to the able and vigorous initiative of the ladies of St. Pancras Auxiliary, a very pleasant evening was spent on Friday, Dec. 5th, at the Haunted Lakes. A considerable space of ice had been cleared, swept and garnished for the benefit of skaters, and huge piles of firewood collected to enable the lookers-on to warm themselves at intervals, and a number of Chinese lanterns, kindly loaned for the occasion, helped to illuminate the rink. When the company arrived and skating was in full swing, the effect of the moving figures, many of whom were in fancy costume, was very striking and picturesque. A buffet was provided at which light refreshments could be obtained, the same up at the house for the convenience of those who preferred bridge to skating.

If you are troubled with chronic constipation, the mild and gentle effect of Chamberlain's Tablets makes them especially suited to your case. For sale by City Pharmacy. (5)

Rainy Creek

A good many from this district marketed hogs in Lacombe last week.

N. S. Nelson took a trip to Red Deer the first of the week.

A lantern slide entertainment at the Rainy Creek church drew quite a crowd last Friday evening.

Howard Bigam is up from Calgary on an extended visit to his cousin, T. Bigam.

The Ladies' Aid held another of their enjoyable monthly meetings last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. W. Ulrich. Quite a crowd was in attendance, and the day was pleasantly spent.

On Tuesday of this week about twenty of the men of the neighborhood repaired to the home of A. Young, who has been on the sick list for some time past. On leaving they left a large pile of wood as a reminder of their visit.

I notice that a good many of the correspondents are reporting the weather as being very little of that to do, but we think before long we may be able to send in some news of that kind, as we understand that one of our young men has been hauling material for a new house.

SHILOH

quicker stone course, cures colds, and heals the throat and lungs.

NON-BALKABLE—SELF-POINTING

A Hammerless Gun with Solid Frame

Easiest operating and smoothest action.

THE STEVENS

Repeating Shotgun

No. 520

LISTING AT \$25.00, including everything you need for Trap or Field.

Made in five styles and illustrated and described in Stevens' Shotgun Catalogue.

Have your Dealer show you a Stevens Repeater.

J. STEVENS ARMS & TOOL COMPANY.

P. O. Box 504, CHICAGO, ILL., U.S.A.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 399.

The council of the above district met, there being present Jas. Sharp (chairman), J. M. Williams, J. J. Kasha, J. L. Storey, D. Foren and Jas. Eadie. Minutes of previous meeting read, and it was moved by Storey, seconded by Foren, that they be adopted as read. Carried.

Moved by Eadie, seconded by Storey, that this council of L.I.D. 399 do allow the town of Lacombe the privilege of grading up the road allowance between Secs. 24-25, Tp. 40, R. 27, W. 4, said road, to be completed by April 30th, 1914, providing the town of Lacombe will give us a proper guarantee of same. Carried.

Moved by Williams, seconded by Foren, that the Secretary be instructed to write the C. P. R. Claims Agent at Calgary for compensation to the amount of \$100 for damage done to road between Secs. 3-10, Tp. 39, R. 27, W. 4, by fire started by section men, having burned 300 feet of new corduroy. Carried.

Moved by Eadie, seconded by Storey—in reference to communication of Department of Public Works re road division on S.W. 2 Secs. 27-41-27, W. 4, I move that this council guarantee the amount as per request, providing said amount be not considered in excess; if satisfactory, same to be charged up to Div. No. 6. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Eadie, that the account of O. G. Welton, amounting to \$25 for work done in 1912, be ordered paid. Carried.

Moved by Kasha, seconded by Eadie, that Secretary be instructed to notify R. H. Adams that this council is prepared to prove that the culvert mentioned was damaged by him and would give him an additional 10 days to repair same, on action will be taken against him. Carried.

Moved by Eadie, seconded by Foren, that the following accounts be passed and the Secretary instructed to pay the same:

Garbett Business College, \$6.00
Telephone, 1.00
L. A. Hill, 31.55
Vickers & Garland, 14.85
F. H. Schooley, 1.50
Western Municipal News, 6.19
W. Simpson, 30.00

Moved by Eadie, seconded by Kasha, that A. M. Campbell's bill be held over for further information. Carried.

Moved by Foren, seconded by Eadie, that the following labor pay sheets be passed, the Chairman authorized to sign and Treasurer instructed to pay the same:

Div. No. 2—Pay Sheet No. 24, \$348.25
Div. No. 3—Pay Sheet No. 17, 53.49
Div. No. 4—Pay Sheet No. 18, 157.25
Div. No. 4—Pay Sheet No. 11, 200.00
Div. No. 5—Pay Sheet No. 13, 38.75
Div. No. 6—Pay Sheet No. 14, 118.45
Div. No. 6—Pay Sheet No. 19, 30.00

Minutes of this meeting were read and it was moved by Foren, seconded by Eadie, that they be adopted as read. Carried.

JAS. SHARP, Chairman.
E. WALTER SIMPSON, Sec.

Treas., L.I.D. 399.

The Chairman then thanked the other Councillors for their co-operation in the amicable and efficient manner in which the business had been carried on during the year. A vote of thanks was then moved by Williams, seconded by Eadie, to the Chairman for the very able and pleasant manner in which he had filled the chair.

WANT NAVAL EXPENDITURE CURTAILED.

London, Dec. 20.—A deputation of Liberal members of parliament, many of whom were associated with the memorial presented last year urging the house not to accept the Canadian naval contribution without its full consent by both parties, waited upon the Prime Minister last Wednesday to represent that there is great uneasiness in the Liberal party at the anticipated unnecessary increase in naval expenditures.

The deputation urges that a further increase in armaments beyond that arising from the program already sanctioned by the House of Commons is unnecessary and ought to be refused and that the country is already spending up to the hilt great revenues derived from the "trade boom" so that any decline in trade must mean a considerable addition to existing taxation.

They hold the view that the nation was never in a safer position, both from its strength and the present state of the international relations, and that in those circumstances any increase in naval expenditure will create a situation of great gravity in the fortunes of the Liberal party and affect the welfare of the nation.

Cutters Bells Robes

HORSE BLANKETS, FANNING MILLS, SCALES, KITCHEN CABINETS, GRAIN GRINDERS, SAWS

And all Seasonable Goods connected with the Implement and Harness trade.

Prices and Terms upon application.

Leave your orders for Harness and Repair Work.

H. L. Brown

Agent Massey-Harris Co.

THE LEADING HARNESS SHOP



HARNESS and Saddles, Trunks, Suit Cases and Grips, Binder Whips, Telescope Grips and all Harness Accessories. We have a good line of Medicines and Stock Foods, including: Handford's Balsam of Myrrh, Bickmore's Gall Cure and Royal Purple Stock Food.

W. L. ELLIOTT

Nanton Street

Lacombe, Alta.

Building Materials

of all kinds at
Right Prices

Call and see us and let us figure on your bill for you.

Phone 49

Atlas Lumber Co., Ltd.

O. W. Thorne :: Local Manager

John Fortune CITY LIVERY AND FEED STABLE

Careful Attention given to Commercial Trade
First Class Rigs and Good Drivers

Draying on Short Notice

LACOMBE - ALBERTA

CREAM WANTED

I need your Cream, so send it along: you get your cheque once a week. 1 Pay Cash For Dairy Butter and Eggs. Dairy butter must be put up in tubs or in large rolls.

The Lacombe Creamery

G. A. Anderson, Prop.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL.

Capital Authorized.....\$25,000,000
Capital Paid Up.....11,500,000
Reserve and Undivided Profit.....13,000,000
Aggregate Assets.....175,000,000

Drafts, Letters of Credit and Travellers' Cheques issued, available in all parts of the world.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

Savings Departments at all branches. Deposits of \$1.00 and upwards received, and interest allowed at highest current rates.

300 Branches throughout Canada and Newfoundland; 30 Branches in West Indies, London, England, and New York.

Lacombe Branch - J. G. Nickerson, Manager

Opposite C.P.R. Station

Sub-Branches, DENTLEY and BLACKFALDS, ALBERTA

Trimble - Garland Lumber & Coal Co.

Leave your order for

Twin City Coal

The Best in Alberta

Building Supplies Of All Kinds.

WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR---THE WESTERN GLOBE

A. GILMOUR

Will pay the following prices delivered in my yards at Lacombe, this week,

Choice Steers, weighing 1,200 lbs. and up.....6c.
Choice Steers weighing 1,100 to 1,200 lbs.....5½c.
Choice Steers weighing 950 to 1,000 lbs.....5¼c.
Butcher Steers, weighing 900 to 950 lbs.....5c.
Choice Fat Cows and Heifers, 1,000 lbs and up 4c.
Medium to good Fat Cows and Heifers.....3¾c. to 4c.
Best Lambs.....4c. to 5c.
Choice Fat Sheep.....4c. to 4c.
Beef Hides.....6c.
Hogs.....6c.

THE ATHLETIC POOL ROOM AND BOWLING ALLEY

High score for nine pins this week, box of cigars. Competition for the big Xmas turkey is still on; the highest score at ten pins wins it.

See our prices on Heating Stoves—Morrison & Johnston, Ltd.

Mrs. P. H. Thibaudau has returned from a visit to Ontario.

Scissors in cases, at Morrison & Johnston's, Ltd.

Gillette Safety Razors at Morrison & Johnston's, Ltd.

Miss Mabel Poole, of Wetaskiwin, is visiting friends in Lacombe.

Mrs. Collier and daughter have returned from a visit to friends in the United States.

The skating rink will be open Christmas afternoon, and the band will be in attendance.

Eight fine two-year-old steers for sale—H. M. Trimble, Lacombe.

Mrs. E. L. Mischev will not receive the fourth Friday of this month.

What is more desirable than a Rocker or Morris Chair for a Christmas present—Morrison & Johnston, Ltd.

Mrs. L. Puffer will spend Christmas with her parents at Macleod.

Mr. Moore, of Athabasca Landing, is spending Christmas with friends in Lacombe.

Eight fine two-year-old steers for sale—H. M. Trimble, Lacombe.

We wish our friends and customers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.—The City Pharmacy.

Those wishing to buy meat by quarters or sides, can get it from us at reasonable prices.—A. Gilmour. (N19-1f)

Chas. Flewelling, who underwent a serious operation in the hospital here a week ago, is reported this morning to be progressing favorably.

How About Your NEW Year's Gifts

Some one you had not counted on may have sent you something

We have still a good selection and jewelry is one of the most appreciated gifts. Reduced prices on Christmas goods.

John Bulger
Jeweler
Phone 55 Lacombe

Pocket Knives in all styles at Morrison & Johnston's, Ltd.

Seven big spring calves for sale.—H. M. Trimble, Lacombe.

WRESTLING MATCH AT COMET THEATRE NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Edward Trembley, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who holds the 145-pound championship of Canada, is undertaking to throw Ole Boode two in one hour, and this should be one of the fastest contests ever seen here, as Trembley's record shows him to be one of the cleverest wrestlers in the business. Ole Boode announces that he has never been beaten, and it is assured by the management that any person dissatisfied with this match may have their money refunded.

ARBORDALE BRANCH U. F. A. The regular monthly meeting will be held in the school house on January 5th, at 8 p.m. Prominent speakers are coming from all parts, amongst whom will be Mrs. I. F. Roberts, President of the Women's Institute, Lacombe; Mr. T. F. Roberts, Secretary of Milton Branch U.F.A., and Mr. G. Hutton. Ladies specially invited. Come early and get a seat.

MARRIED. NAPPER-McNAUGHTON. At Swift Current, Sask., on Dec. 10th, by Rev. C. B. McKinnon, Harriet B. McNaughton to Gordon H. Napper.

BIRTHS. STONER—At Iowalla, on Dec. 15, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stoner, a son.

DUNCAN—At Iowalla, on Dec. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Duncan, twins, boy and girl.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS. The Christmas entertainments at the Methodist and Presbyterian churches were most successful, the buildings on both occasions being filled to the doors. The programmes of music etc., were well rendered and greatly enjoyed.

Reports of these entertainments will be published next week.

Spruceville News

The entertainment held last Tuesday night in the school house was a great success, there being a large crowd in spite of the cold night. The committee are to be congratulated on the splendid program. Special praise must be given Miss McNair and Miss Walker for the able manner in which they trained the school children. The chairman, Mr. Rogers, remarked that it was the best entertainment that he had the pleasure of seeing for a long time. Santa Claus was a very jolly little fellow and the children all enjoyed his presence, although he was a little nervous in regard to his reindeer, there being so many noted hunters present.

The weather is getting more wintry every day. The night of way men have finished their contracts of brush cutting. Cheer up, neighbors, the cars will soon be running.

We would like to see some sportsmen organize a coyote hunt, as they are getting very brave. They have been seen chasing deer, and there is no doubt there is a lot of valuable game killed by them. Somebody start the ball rolling.

Fritz Abeling is chopping in the neighborhood at present.

A Helmer has fitted up the basement of the McLean building on Barnett Ave. as a bathroom, and has installed two up-to-date bathtubs. He expects to have the bathes going on Saturday. Everything will be kept clean and comfortable, and this long needed luxury should be well patronized.

A splendid moose has been on exhibition at the Pioneer Meat Market this week, and has been viewed with envious eyes by Dr. Coll and other of our local nobs.

Mr. Cole points with pride to the animal and does not even blush when inquisitive ones ask where he shot it.

Word was received in Red Deer on Saturday last from President Pearson, of Calgary, that the annual general meeting of the Alberta Rugby Football Union would take place in Red Deer on Friday next, December 19th, in the afternoon, and the Alberta Hockey Association executive will meet the same evening in Red Deer. Rev. Bob Pearson is the president of both associations, and James Mann, of Red Deer, is the secretary of the Provincial Hockey Association.

Lakeside News

A merry company of Lakeside folk assembled in the school house last Friday evening to enjoy the annual Christmas concert. The room was decorated in a most artistic manner, and an excellent stage with drop curtain and scenery added much to the success of the evening.

J. Walden presided over the large audience in his usual genial manner.

The first part of the long and varied program consisted of songs, choruses and recitations by the scholars, each one acting their part in a most creditable manner, thanks to the training given by the highly esteemed teacher, Miss Glass. Mr. and Mrs. Jones sang a duet with auto harp accompaniment. Miss Ethel Walden contributed a song, "Rev. and Mrs. Davies rendered musical selections, and a very amusing dialogue was performed by Miss Ella Storey, Miss Mitchell, Mr. Alf. Walden and Mr. John Henderson.

The second part of the program was presented by the Lakeside Negro Military Minstrel Band, whose musical selections would have made some of our big city bands jealous. Each member is a born musician. Songs, quartettes, choruses and jokes followed in quick succession, interspersed with stirring musical marches. Great credit is due to Mr. Leonard Jones, who acted as conductor and accompanist, and who had arranged the minstrel troupe. The following members also distinguished themselves: Messrs. Fred, George and Alf. Walden, Harry and Charlie Switzer, Norman Whitelaw and George Hutchison.

The entire program was given by all local talent, and everybody was pleased, the children with the candies and the grown-ups with the concert.

Clive News Notes

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Allison expect to keep Christmas Day with their children and grandchildren.

Miss Esther Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Allison and children, Mr. and Mrs. Will Allison and two children, of Clive, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Allison and three children, of Wetaskiwin. Their daughters, Mrs. Bateman, Mrs. Percy Mitchell (Toronto), and Mrs. H. S. Scott, Calgary, will not be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher's little son, Fred, at Lacombe hospital, is reported to be recovering satisfactorily after an operation for appendicitis.

The Rev. A. Barner, of Calgary, was in Clive on Wednesday, the 17th, visiting old friends, and is expected here to preach at the Methodist church on January 11, 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Reynolds are expecting all their children but one home for the Christmas Day family gathering and Christmas.

The Misses Eva and Vella Reynolds from Edmonton, Mrs. Sid A. Gill with her husband and little son from Weyburn, and two daughters at home. Mr. Reynolds, Jr., will not be present, as he left on the 19th on a business trip to Montreal.

The winner of the ladies' continuous prize at the last meeting of the Whist Club was Mrs. Woods, and the winner of the gentlemen's, Edgar Cramer.

The public school closed on the 18th, to re-open on January 5. Miss Schleichauf, who has been teaching here for two years, has severed her connection with the school this year and left on Friday, the 19th, for her home in West Lorne, Ont., where she will remain for a few months. She is succeeded here by Miss Young, who comes from Blackfalds. The principal, Mr. McNally, is remaining.

A surprise party of about 50 people raided the King Edward Hotel on Thursday evening, the 18th, for Miss Schleichauf, to express regret at her departure and to wish her goodbye. On behalf of the gentlemen, Mr. Allison presented Miss Schleichauf with a handsome travelling case with various fittings and a camera. From the ladies came a leather card case with silver monogram and fittings. Miss Schleichauf has made many warm friends during her stay in Clive both amongst her pupils and the grown-ups.

Mrs. Ezra Allison is expecting her brother, Mr. Clayton, from Daysland on a Christmas visit.

Mr. Allison, Mr. McNally and Mr. Willough were Lacombe visitors on Friday, the 19th.

Alix News

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows at the annual meeting of the Alix Agricultural Society—President, J. E. Merrifield, 1st Vice President, Edward Parbury, 2nd Vice Presi-

dent, Col. Marryat; Secretary, George H. Darlow; Treasurer, C. M. Yarwood; Directors—W. Carroll, A. J. Hunt, Joseph Ennis, William Loughbridge, Charles Cockrill, John Waterman, Joseph Todd, Charles Stone, Horace G. Finch, Frank M. Mitchell, S. G. Dunham, J. R. Doherty, V. Schnepf, H. Worke and John Palmer. The meeting was held in the Masonic hall, the attendance being quite small. The annual report showed the financial condition of the society to be satisfactory.

The annual parish meeting of St. Pancras church for the election of officers for the coming year will be held on January 3, 1914.

A daughter was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Semple, of Lignite, formerly of Alix.

At the meeting for the election of councillors, H. G. Finch and R. L. Toeffler were re-elected, and Mr. Frisch, of the Grand Hotel, was elected in place of Duncan A. McDonnell, all by acclamation.

Mrs. J. H. Williamson, who was seriously ill at Botha, where she was visiting her mother, is reported as recovering.

W. H. Siborne is in charge of Mr. Hickling's farm during Mr. and Mrs. Hickling's absence at the coast for the winter.

A box social will be held at the Presbyterian church by the young people at an early date.

M. Yarwood, Jr., who has been out with a survey party, arrived home on the 13th for a visit of some weeks.

The Lonic Lodge, A.F. & A.M., will meet on Saturday evening, Dec. 27, for the installation of officers in the Masonic hall. A banquet will follow the ceremonies.

Mr. Tallman, from the Union Bank, Lacombe, is now on the staff at the hospital.

Mr. de Graw Frederick, of Garden Plain, was looking out for old Alix friends on Tuesday morning's train on her way to Edmonton on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Hoskins, from which point she will leave for Ontario to spend Christmas with her mother.

Mrs. Philip Panucker, of Carroll, was an Alix visitor on the 16th.

Mr. Edward Parbury has invitations out for a card party, on Monday evening, the 29th.

Mr. Todd, J.P., was in Edmonton recently on a visit to his daughter, Miss Fanny Todd, who will be unable to join the family at the Christmas festivities, as her business duties at the International Harvesting Company will prevent her leaving at present.

E. L. Trickey has moved into the former Free Press building on Main street, now transformed into an up-to-date store.

Service will be held at St. Pancras church on Christmas morning at 11 o'clock.

ACADEMY NOTES

Mrs. C. J. Rider and Miss Etta Long, of Sunset, Sask., are the latest to arrive and enroll.

Mrs. Wm. Tall and children arrived the last of the week, and William T. immediately celebrated by enrolling for full school work for the remainder of the year.

J. K. Fish has returned from his visit to Stettler, L. S. Bowett from visiting Gaster, Andrew Haynal from visiting Gaster, and U. Wessner from visiting Le due, to which places they had gone to spend the closing Sabbath of the Week of Prayer. All report a pleasant and profitable time. Pastors C. A. Humann and Henry Humann returned yesterday morning from their trip to Becker, reporting a lot of attendance at the meetings there.

J. H. Reith, of Didsbury, was a visitor one day last week.

F. Buckett and several friends paid the Academy a call last Thursday afternoon. Tuesday and Thursday are regular visiting days at the school, and visitors are gladly welcomed to all the school exercises, as well as to inspect the buildings.

Ruben Van Black has improved the appearance of his house by a coat of paint.

H. L. Briggs, of Salem, Oregon, was a guest of Professor Beardsley last Monday.

Thursday is a holiday at the Academy, and the Faculty have planned an interesting program to be given to the students and patrons Wednesday evening.

Classified Ads.

LOST

\$25.00 REWARD. The above reward will be paid for the return of five Yearlings and three Two-Year-Old Calves, branded BN with half diamond underneath on right side. N. B. Adamson, 74 miles S.E. Rimby. P.O. address, Rimby. (D3-4p)

BULL TAKEN UP.

Red 2-year-old bull, no visible brands; rope around horns, has been captured on my farm. Owner apply M. S. Auger, Rimby. (D3-3c)

LOST.

A Bay Clyde Filly, about 24 years old, white star on forehead, plenty of leather on her legs; branded TU on right shoulder. Five dollars reward to the person who finds her. (D10-4c) A. D. SWANSON.

ESTRAY—One Red and White Heifer, 1 year old, no visible brand.—J. J. Boode, Blackfalds. (D24-3p)

ESTRAY—Two-year-old dark bay Gelding, white spot in face, white on under lip; right hind foot white to pastern joint; left hind foot white inside up to pastern joint, no visible brand; came to my place on Sec. 4, Tp. 43, R. 2, W. 5.—W. J. Richards, Brand Reader, Rimby. (D24-3c)

ESTRAY—In the Pound at Lacombe, one Buckskin Gelding Cayuse, four white legs, about 5 years old, with a halter on saddle marks; no visible brand.—A. J. Leslie, Brand Reader. (D17-4c)

ESTRAY—In the Pound at Lacombe, one Dark Chestnut Gelding Cayuse, about 6 years old, with bell on; saddle marks; no visible brand.—A. J. Leslie, Brand Reader. (D17-4c)

WANTED

TEACHER WANTED. Teacher wanted for Sunny Crest S.D. No. 2633, lady or gentleman.—Apply R. H. Gee, Sec-Treas., Lacombe, Alta. Duties to begin Jan. 2, 1914. (D10-3c)

GRAIN AND GREEN FEED—I have put in Wagon Scales at my house and will buy Barley, Oats, Hay and Green Feed, no dock on grain. See or phone 109.—W. E. Tees. (D24-4c)

TEACHER TEACHER wanted for the 1914 term for Outlet S.D. No. 599. Lady teacher—Apply to C. H. Whitworth, secretary, Bentley, Alberta, stating qualifications and salary wanted. (D24-3c)

Lillian Hagman, of Fairview, and Mrs. F. J. Hippach, of Lacombe, were visitors at services last Sabbath. Mr. Porters and family, of Gull Lake, also attended.

Mrs. H. D. M. Jellison, who recently underwent an operation at the Lacombe hospital, has returned to her home in Rosedale, and is making a rapid recovery.

In a letter recently received from Mary Gaulty she asks to be remembered to her friends here, and regret that her health does not permit of her returning to school this year.

Charles Smith, writes from his old home at Gaston, Oregon, that since his parents and Mabel have moved to Mountain View, Cal., where his father is connected with the U. S. Forest Service, he is in charge of the home farm, and asks to be remembered to his old schoolmates and teachers.

A number of the students are planning to return to their homes to spend the holidays. Some who have already gone are Herbert Deutsman, Leduc; Clinton Hubbard, Lacombe; Howard Hansen, Olds; Edwin Oldham, Neapolis; W. G. McCreedy, Wetaskiwin; Ellwin and Ruby Kirk, Clearburn; George and Nellie Shanks, Leduc; Miss Phyllis Sargent, and brother George, Clive; A. T. Babenko, Saskatchewan.

FOR SALE

BOARS—Berkshire Boars and one Yorkshire Sow. Our young Boars have taken 1st and 2nd prize at the Lacombe Fair two years running. C. W. GATSKELL, Phone R702. R.R.3, Lacombe. (D24-1f-c)

CATTLE—12 Spring Calves; 9 Steers; 3 Heifers; also 1 Cow which will be fresh soon; call and see them; a snap if taken at once.—C. H. Whitworth, Bentley, Alberta. (D24-3c)

TURKEYS—Pure Bred Bronze Turkeys—Apply to Mrs. D. Cameron. Phone 165. (D17-1f)

WOOD—Good dry stove wood for sale, \$1.35 per cord delivered in town, \$1.50 loaded on cars in car lots; also cars of poles. Apply Outhouse & Shafer, Lacombe. (D17-4p)

TYPEWRITER—Empire Typewriter in good order, for sale cheap.—Apply Mrs. E. H. Trimble, Lacombe. (D17-2c)

HORSE-POWER—One 4 horse horse-power, in good condition; complete with tumbling rods.—Apply T. F. Roberts, R Phone 902. (D10-3c)

SOWS—Four Brood Sows, young stock.—J. F. Vanbuskirk, Phone R 314, Lacombe. (D19-1f-c)

SHEEP FOR SALE. I have a number of first-class young Ewes for sale, Shropshire and Lincoln breeding; just the ones you want to start your herd. See them.—John Ford, Lacombe. (D10-4c)

LOTS FOR SALE OR TRADE. Lots 30 and 31, Block 2, for sale cheap, near W. Crow residence, on Edmonton Trail. Will sell cheap or trade for stock of any kind.—Apply D. Flewelling, Lacombe, P.O. Box 221. (D3-4p)

HORSES FOR SALE. I have a few teams of good Horses for sale, in foal Mares and Geldings; some well-matched teams and prices right.—J. M. SOUTHWARD, 4 Miles West; Phone 102 R. (D3-4c)

SHEEP FOR SALE. 450 head of good young breeding Ewes for sale at \$5 to \$6 per head in lots to suit purchaser.—E. Walter Simpson, Phone 307, Lacombe. (D3-3c)

BULL CALVES FOR SALE. Three Red Polled Bull calves for sale, purchased choice for \$50. Apply to A. L. Sweet, one mile and a half west of Morrisdale. (D3-4p)

House for Sale \$2100.00 8 rooms, drilled well, splendid water, liberal discount for full equity in cash. P. H. Thibaudau

FOR RENT

FURNISHED ROOM—Comfortable room to rent. Apply Mrs. F. H. Trimble, Lacombe. (D17-2c)

FARM Wanted to rent, a quarter or half section of farm land, where take possession any time after Jan. 1, 1914.—Apply to William Scott, Lacombe. (D24-1p)

NOTICES

On and after January 1st, 1914, we, the undersigned Blacksmiths, will conduct our business on a strictly cash basis. A. D. WATSON, FRED TAYLOR, H. GUTTSCHLICH, JOHN MCNAB (D24-2p)

BUSINESS CARDS

MacDonald & McBride
A. M. MacDonald, B. A., J. B. McBride
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries and Conveyancers
Solicitors for Town of Lacombe, Merchant's Bank of Canada, Union Bank of Canada, R. G. Dunn & Co., The Colonial Investment & Loan Company, Etc., Etc.
Company and Private Funds to loan on Town and Farm property.
Lacombe Office, Merchant's Bank Building.
P. O. Drawer 1. Phone No. 6

EDWIN H. JONES
Barrister, Solicitor, Notary. Office: Barnett Avenue, Lacombe, Alta.

JOHN McKENTY
Notary, Conveyancer, Accountant, Official Auditor, Issuer of Marriage Licenses.
Office: DAY BLOCK, Lacombe.

Veterinary Surgeon
R. ROBERTS
F. R. C. V. S.
(Succeeding Dr. P. R. Talbot.)
Fellow of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, England; member of the Alberta Veterinary Association; gold and silver medalist of the Glasgow Veterinary College, Scotland.
Residence, Alberta St. Phone 153

For Artistic Show Cards and Window Cards

To advertise your Goods, see, or write to

C. HARDY
P. O. Box 302, Lacombe.

Mrs. P. McDONALD

Teacher of
PIANO-FORTE and ORGAN
Painting in Oils and Water Colors
GLASS ST. PHONE 149

F. TAYLOR

BLACKSMITH
Horseshoeing
a Specialty

LACOMBE

City Dairy

Milk and Cream
Everything guaranteed to be clean and up-to-date.

PAUL LEONARD,

SHOEMAKER

L. PETERKA.
Shop behind Tittsworth's Furniture Store.

First-Class Work guaranteed.
Repairs of all kinds.

Rubber Heels—Men's 50c; Ladies' 45c.

J. Bullis

Now prepared to clean yards, haul out manure, or do other team work.

FLOUR—FLOUR

Now is the time to buy your flour before it goes higher. It has already gone up \$1.00 per barrel in the east and may still go higher. We have quite a lot of flour on hand at present and can make you a good price now on 500 lb. lots or more.—PANNER MILLING CO.

Garbutt Business College

Conduct Commercial and Stenographic Classes Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week.

Auctioneer

Valuator

Sales conducted any place in Alberta.

ISAAC GRAHAM,
Box 104,
Lacombe, Alta.

Layzell & Durno

Auctioneers and Live Stock Commission Agents

520 Centre Street, Calgary.

If you have any Horses or Cattle to sell, ship them to us. Satisfaction guaranteed.



7 SUTHERLAND SISTERS

Free demonstration in our
Drug Store
All the week, commencing December 29th.

Come and learn how to save and grow your hair.

Consultation Free.

The City Pharmacy
Opposite Merchants' Bank.

Arcade Stables

(Formerly P. H. Winter.)

Having leased these stables from P. H. Winter, I am now prepared to do a general livery and feed business.

Special attention paid to farmers' business and feeding.

On Sunday evening those attending church may stable their horses free at the barn.

General trading of all kinds.

TERMS REASONABLE

The Arcade Stables

THOS. DAGG, Prop.
Barnett Avenue.



ARTISTIC WALL PAPER

in many designs is here for your choosing. You will find it far different than the ordinary wall covering.

THE PATTERNS, COLORS, INGS, ETC.,

are so attractive, so pleasing and restful to the eye, so evidently in good taste that to see them is to at once decide that your walls and ceilings must be recovered.

LACOMBE

WALL PAPER STORE

KENT'S

Say Farmer

Are You From Missouri?

If so, we are right here to show you that our Gasoline Engines are the BEST on the market.

Our prices have got our competitors skinned a mile.

Stop thinking about that Catalogue House engine.

Come and get our prices and terms, also a demonstration of engine at actual work.

If we fail to convince you, you will still have our sympathy.

A full line of Grinders, Straw Cutters, Wood Saws and Belting on hand.

Jas. Tocher

John Deere Agency.

For Sale by

P. H. WINTER

50 head of Cows, mostly gen. the milk cows, several of them close in.

1 Holstein Cow, fresh.

37 good Steers, about 150 lbs each.

Rose and Single Comb Brown Leghorn Roosters, \$1 each if taken quickly.

1 3 Seated Democrat

1 2 Seated Democrat

1 Open buggy, good as new (\$17.00)

WIFE DESERTER GETS YEAR IN JAIL AND FINE OF \$500.00

Edmonton, Dec. 18.—Arthur E. Lucas, the magistrate at Clyde, imposed a sentence under a new amendment to the criminal code upon a man who deserted his wife and family, which is likely to strike a note of warning which will put an end to what the Mounted Police describe as an occurrence which is becoming all too common in the province.

Mr. Lucas has imposed a sentence of a fine of \$500 together with a year's imprisonment upon Joseph Jerome for deserting his wife and four children.

The case is described as being particularly cruel. The man quitted on a quarter in a timber reserve near Holmes Crossing. He left his family there last May, leaving a 22 rifle, a few cartridges, and telling his wife that she must provide for herself and his children. She had no food, no provisions, nothing but the rifle and cartridges.

The family became destitute in a very short time. The few neighbors heard of this and gave what assistance they could. The family had actually been starving, having lived only on what game that was shot by the wife. She made clothes for the children out of some old flour and oatmeal sacks.

The people of the district pushed the matter. They had Jerome found and overtures made to him to deal decently with his family. He responded by sending his wife a box of 22 cartridges, with the information that she could get along with them. Also he told her that there was no use sending the Mounted Police after him, for they could never arrest him.

The case became so disgraceful that the police arrested Jerome at Vermilion. He was taken to Clyde for trial and as the new amendment to the criminal code provides for a summary hearing, Mr. Lucas and Mrs. Holmes, sitting as the court, imposed the sentence of the \$500 fine and a year's imprisonment.

NEW PARIOR CARS ON EDMONTON RUN.

Within the past few days new parlor library observation cars have been put in service on the morning trains between Calgary and Edmonton. Among parlor cars these are the "latest word."

The front portion of each is taken up with the main parlor, while the gentlemen's smoking room and the observation platform occupy the rear. There is a buffet for serving light refreshments, also a library of latest fiction and current magazines.

Nothing has been spared to make these cars luxuriously comfortable—electric lights, electric fans, adjustable movable chairs, etc.

This fine service is now in operation on both morning and afternoon trains from Calgary to Edmonton, also on the corresponding trains from Edmonton to Calgary. The travelling public is showing its appreciation of the improvement.

BIG OUTFIT FOR COUNTERFEITING TAKEN BY POLICE

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Early today the largest gang of counterfeiters ever arrested in this part of the country was taken into custody in a farm house five miles from the village of La Plante.

They were rounded up by Dominion and Provincial police, led by Inspector Parkinson and Chief McCaskel.

Five men were taken into custody in the farm house, where the plant was located. The sixth member of the gang was arrested here by Detective Lapointe, who was sent in by Chief McCaskel.

It is not believed that any of the counterfeiters have been placed in circulation, as the output of the plant, amounting to about six hundred bills, was found in the shack. It is also said that the gang's reasons for counterfeiting United States money was that there would be less likelihood of early detection.

The men who were caught at the farm house and taken to the jail at Joliet were Bartholomew Caron, Frederick Eaton, Edouard Parizeau, Philip Bousquet and Eugene Gagne. The man arrested here was Alfred Grenier, an engraver in the employ of the Herald Publishing Co.

Besides the arrests the police claim to have seized a most elaborate counterfeiting plant, including a printing press, plates, specially prepared paper and everything necessary for the counterfeiting of the United States ten dollar gold certificates.

Chief McCaskel stated tonight that the farm house in which the gang operated, was like an arsenal. Shotguns and revolvers with plenty of ammunition were found and the gang had evidently intended to put up a battle had they not been taken by surprise. It was before dawn when the police reached the house. They smashed down the door and rushed into the house with drawn revolvers and were upon the counterfeiters almost before one of them could make a move to get out of bed.

The raiders left Montreal Thursday night and got off at L'Epiphanie, where they secured warrants for the arrest of the counterfeiters. Then they left for La Plante, where they remained until 4 o'clock in the morning.

Commented by news writers in the hands of police, the counterfeiters became convinced that it would be useless to show fight. Every weapon in the house was seized as the five men were forced to dress. The printing press, plates, paper and all the counterfeiting outfit found in the house, as well as the guns and revolvers belonging to the gang, was loaded into a farmer's wagon and taken to Joliet, where it will be used as evidence against the gang when they are arraigned in court tomorrow.

DID CANADIANS CROSS LINE AND LYNCH PRISONER.

Williston, N.D., Dec. 18.—With sheriff, deputies and authorities of all towns in the northwestern section of North Dakota searching for lynchers, the gang of between 40 and 50 masked men who stormed the county jail here Tuesday morning, dragged out Cleve Culbertson and lynched him in the first degree if captured.

States Attorney Burdick has struck another angle of the case. He is now working on the theory that Culbertson was taken from the jail and hanged to a bridge over the Little Muddy river, a mile away, by a gang of men from Canada, to avenge Culbertson's assault on Mrs. Buck, of Wilcox, Sask., a week before the triple murder at Ray. Culbertson was working at the Buck farm for a time. He criminally assaulted Mrs. Buck and stole some money, a gun and a team of horses, driving them into the United States.

The crime in Canada at that time aroused the Canadians' anger, and it is believed by Mr. Burdick caused them to ride into the United States on horses and automobiles and take the law into their own hands. It is believed the lynchers left their horses on the outskirts of the city while they made their advance on the jail.

Mr. Burdick says that Culbertson's motive in killing the Dillon family was robbery. It was proven that Mrs. Dillon had money before the murder but none after. Some of the lynchers are believed to have come from the vicinity of Ray, where the Dillons lived. A bunch of armed and masked lynchers were trailed eight miles east of Williston. It was also discovered that a bunch of lynchers came from the direction of Plentywood, Mont., and Mondak, and is one of the state attorney's reasons for believing that the Canadians were the ones who did the job.

Culbertson will be buried Thursday without a friend or relative in attendance. His body is lying at an undertaking parlor.

In answer to a telegram announcing the horrible fate of his son, J. W. Culbertson, of Evanston, Wyo., wired to the Williston authorities to give his boy a decent burial and he would pay for it. Culbertson is survived by a wife and boy at Dorchester, Neb., who have been informed of the tragedy.

ALBERTA DISPOSED OF \$3,600,000 BONDS

Edmonton, Dec. 18.—Premier Sifton announced this afternoon that the sum of \$3,600,000 had been placed to the credit of the provincial government in the Imperial Bank at Edmonton, as the proceeds of a loan secured by the firm of Spencer, Traill & Co., and some New York associates. The price is given as \$95.15 net.

"This loan was provided for at the last sitting of the legislature," Premier Sifton said last night. "Although we have received this large amount, it does not mean that we have money to burn, so to speak. It places the government in the position of being able to take care of its maturing obligations and principal financial problems are now very favorable."

Granges were visited by a delegation of radical westerners who came to talk cooperation with farmers from the Atlantic to the Pacific. They proposed a direct interchange of the products, the east getting feed grains and the west products of the prairies, the west receiving fruits, vegetables, canned goods and other specialized produce of the older farming communities.

"While I believe protective tariffs to be an iniquity," said T. A. Green, president of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Grain Company, "and the greater the tariff the greater the iniquity, even the removal of tariff will not bring all the relief which is called for. The great need of agriculturists is intelligent co-operation. Manitoba pays for small fruits three or four times what the Ontario farmer, who produces them, receives for them. The direct interchange of produce could enable the consumer to buy cheaper in the west, and the producer to get more in the east. A great organization of farmers from the Atlantic to the Pacific, operating on the direct interchange system, would tend to benefit the whole country by eliminating what has developed into a dictatorship under the exorbitant grasping of the middleman and the exploiter."

R. K. Henderson, president of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, hoped that all the agricultural forces in Ontario would consolidate with the grange and link up with the western organizations. Farmers would then come into their own and be able to enforce their demands for fair play and better conditions.

The westerners, who numbered also Mr. J. S. Woods, vice president of the Manitoba Grain Growers, F. W. Green, secretary of the Saskatchewan association, Dr. Fleet, director of the Saskatchewan association, Rice Sheppard, president of the United Farmers of Alberta, E. Garswell, secretary vice president of the same institution, J. A. Maharg, of Moosejaw, and others, who spoke along the same lines, and the whole subject, which will involve organization on a gigantic scale, will be considered by the executive.

CAPT. COTTINGHAM DEAD.

Red Deer, Dec. 21.—Capt. W. Cottingham, who for the past fifteen years has been the agent of the Dominion Lands Office in this city, passed away at the family residence at an early hour Sunday morning.

The deceased was 70 years of age, and has always been a prominent citizen and courteous officer and his place in the community will be hard to fill.

He was always a keen lover of sport, and his death was caused from a severe cold which he contracted while hunting in September and from which he was confined to his bed till death relieved him.

He was president of the Red Deer Old Timers' Association and was also a prominent Mason. He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Florence, of this city, and Mrs. Forrest, of Neepawa, Manitoba. The interment takes place on Tuesday.

SNAPS AT THE NEW AND SECOND-HAND STORE

1 Bobblehead, Cast Runners, \$25.00
1 Light Wagon, 20.00
1 Sideboard, 12.00
1 Dresser and Stand, 20.00
1 \$60 Edison Phonograph, 20.00
1 \$60 Columbia Phonograph, 20.00
Sewing Machines, \$6.00 to 45.00
20 Boys' Sleighs, 60c. to 1.75
Airtight Heaters, Cook Stoves, Cooking Utensils, Tubs, Boilers, etc. Axes, Crosscut Saws, etc. Snaps in 22 Rifles and Ammunition, also in Big Game Rifles. See my 22 High Power Savage.

Kitchen and Extension Tables, Several Ladies' Overcoats and Fur Coats.
Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Fur Coats, Underwear, Overalls, Blankets, etc.

A large shipment Bankrupt Stock—Trunks and Suit Cases at Wholesale Price.

Several Snaps in real estate men for land that you can buy from me for \$7.00.

O. BOODE, Nanton St.

Canadian Pacific

Christmas and

New Year Holidays

Fare and One-Third for the Round Trip.

Between all Stations in Western Canada.

Going dates, Dec. 20, 1913, to Jan. 1, 1914.

Final return limit, Jan. 5th, 1914.

For further particulars apply to nearest Agent, or

R. DAWSON,
District Passenger Agent, Calgary, Alta.

Farm & Village

Property

FOR SALE

J. McNicol

Blackfalds, Alta.

We Wish Everybody

A Happy Xmas and A Right Good New Year

Watt & Hay

THE ONLY MEN'S STORE IN TOWN.

Russell Block

Opp. Fortunes'

Lacombe

Inglis Lewis & Cameron
Wish you One and All
A Very Merry Christmas
and A Prosperous New Year

-CHRISTMAS GIFT- SUGGESTIONS IN THE FURNITURE DEPARTMENT

OUR FURNITURE DEPARTMENT this year is replete with very latest styles and designs and the following list might help in solving the gift problem :

Couches, Rockers,
Centre Tables, Pictures
Writing Desks, Morris Chairs
Sea Grass Chairs, Sectional Book Cases

Furniture MORRISON & JOHNSTON, LTD. Furniture

Lacombe District News

Rocky Mountain House News

W. F. Puffer, M.P.P., of Lacombe, spent several days in the district this week in connection with his interest here.

J. J. Lundy left on Monday night for Calgary, and will return with an Oldsmobile car which he purchased a short time ago.

Messrs. J. L. Walters, B. F. Allison and W. J. Morrill, of Lacombe, paid the town a business visit on Friday last.

The steel is now west of the Saunders Creek mine, and this company are ready for business as soon as shipping facilities are available.

A very pretty wedding took place on Prairie Creek on Dec. 3rd at "Vetchland," the residence of Mrs. G. L. Gabler. Her only daughter, Georgia, was married to Mr. Sidney W. Milbank, also of Prairie Creek. The ceremony took place at 8 p.m., the Rev. Short, of Innisfail, officiating.

The political pot was at the boiling point right up until the time the polls closed at nine o'clock on Monday night. Although there were only four candidates in the field, with three to be elected, there were so many combinations at work that the outcome was in doubt until the ballots were counted. The result of the poll was as follows:—McDermott, 30; Strong, 21; Kirby, 16; Lind, 13. The new council will take charge of the village affairs on January 1st.

Wittenburg News

D. Finch has a well drilled on his place and has struck a good flow of water.

Harold Cumberland returned from Regina bringing his bride. They have the good wishes of their numerous friends for a happy future.

A dance was held in Lee's Hall on the 19th of December. A good number attended and all had a merry time.

Jack Rotterham has quite a time keeping the wolf from the door. The last time he paid a visit Jack lost 20 pounds of beef.

Mr. Draper has a sawmill in operation six miles Northeast of Wittenburg, and is prepared to do custom work.

A masquerade ball will be held in Lee's hall on New Year's night.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Clifford are

Blackfalds News

spending Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. E. Yerlinger, of Tilley.

Mrs. E. W. Magee was visiting in Red Deer one day last week. A number of Blackfalds people attended a school entertainment at the Blindman school Friday evening and report a good time.

The program by the school children was fine, also the darkey minstrel. Blindman should not be ashamed of their talent.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hill were business callers at Lacombe Friday.

Mr. Plank, of Red Deer, was visiting at the Magee home last week.

The Ladies' Aid of Blackfalds gave Miss Ethel Young a surprise Thursday evening, as she has closed a successful term of school in the junior room. She left Saturday to spend Xmas in Winnipeg.

Mr. Brown also closed a successful term of school in the senior room, and has left to spend the holidays in Edmonton.

W. J. Morrill, of Clive, was a business caller in town last week.

G. A. Bishop, who has been teaching school in Southern Alberta, is spending his holidays in Blackfalds. We wonder why.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall, of Edmonton, came down Saturday evening, and will look after his store for a few days.

The Blackfalds Union Sunday school will give an entertainment in the public hall Wednesday evening. Children's program and Christmas tree. All are welcome.

Spring Valley News

The Xmas tree entertainment on Friday last was a great success, there being a large audience present. Special mention and credit should be given to Mrs. Rothnie for the fine display given by the children, also to Mr. Fred Price for the way he handled the musical part of the program, and his singing abilities left a fine impression, and his assistance was appreciated by all.

We notice that one of the so-called Socialists has had his corns hurt by reading an article in the Globe condemning Socialism, and think if the man from the north woods of Ontario will read the article in question again and is still of the opinion that the truth contained therein is ungrammatical, we think he must

be gifted with weak intellect. He says the meeting was a great success, both in attendance and enthusiasm. For our readers information, I might say there were fifteen persons present (six of these being women), so you can draw your conclusions the kind of enthusiasm there would be from such a small crowd which I am informed is about the average attendance of Mr. Fisher's meetings, which surely speaks for itself, what was already said, that he is lacking in ability. His educational abilities were very poor, and if our friend still agrees with him, we can do no more than put him on the same basis as Mr. Fisher, and if his party ever thinks Socialism will have a pull in Spring Valley district, they will have to send someone gifted with a far better foundation and less personal remarks. Our friend who is trying to pose as a Socialist, gave one correct answer, when he said Mr. Fisher was thoroughly "grounded" in Socialism, and he is evidently beginning to realize what we are trying to tell him, and that is that he or his party are so grounded that their rising abilities are long-winded. However, we will be glad to hear from our friend again if he will give us the truth of what takes place at any of these meetings, but our so-called Socialists, who do this still gives us the impression that he is the same as the rest of his party and cannot convince us but what the definition of Socialism is "Take all and give nothing." In conclusion, I would like to know why our friend is so silent and makes no comment as to what he thinks of Mr. Fisher's phrase of running down that dear old dog, the "Union Jack," and probably in his reply next week he will try and explain to us why his party do this. Then we will probably be able to draw our conclusions better as to whether these so-called Socialists can impress us better, but their present dullness and weak intellect will not improve our education or influence us with Socialism.

Local Improvement District No. 390

Meetings will be held at the following places for the purpose of nominating persons for office of councillor, on Monday, Jan. 5th, 1914, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Div. No. 1—Jones Valley School House.

Div. No. 2—Jas. McNeill's Office, Blackfalds.

Div. No. 3—Spruceville School House.

Div. No. 4—Spring Valley School House.

Div. No. 5—Birch Lake School House.

Div. No. 6—Arbordale School House.

Sec. Treas. W. J. Simpson.

Horse Thieves in Stettler District

A band of horse thieves are at work in the district north of Monitor and Veteran, and ranchers up in that district have reported to the Mounted Police that they have altogether lost over thirty head of horses. Yesterday five of these were recovered near Monitor. They had been sold to farmers in the district, and it is thought that the others have been disposed of in the same way and will be recovered.

The farmers who purchased the horses said they were driven in that district by three men, who came from the north. These men said the horses were for sale, and the figure asked was such that they had not much difficulty in disposing of them.

The police at Stettler have a description of the men, and they expect before long to have the thieves behind the bars.

Several holdups have also been reported in that district, and it is thought that the horse thieves are also responsible for these. On Wednesday night two brothers, named Smith, were driving some little way out of the town of Veteran when they were held up by three masked men at the point of revolvers and told to hand over their valuables. The men gave their pocketbooks containing in the neighborhood of \$200. They reported the matter to the police, and although they could not describe the features of

Stettler News

A hockey meeting was held in the town hall on Tuesday evening with an attendance of fifteen or twenty members. A hockey club was organized to be known as the Stettler Hockey Club, with the following officers:—Hon. Pres. R. L. Shaw; Pres. F. T. Colby; Vice-Pres. W. W. Scott; Sec. Treas. G. A. McTaggart; Manager, W. W. Sharpe; Captain, G. H. Wrigglesworth; Committee, H. R. Living.

W. Dyer has purchased the Bon Ton livery barn from J. N. Tice, and will conduct the livery business. Messrs. Dennis & Stevenson, who had the barn on a lease have removed their stock to Mr. Stevenson's ranch at Buffalo Lake. Dr. Dennis will continue in his profession as veterinary surgeon.

A. E. Hargreaves, of Keremeos, B.C., and a former old-timer of Stettler, is in town this week renewing old acquaintances.

Hargreaves does not consider that his district, while good, has any advantages over Stettler district. He purposes residing in Victoria when he returns to B.C.

Joshua Broad has rented his farm, and with his family returned to Illinois, their native home, where it is their intention to reside for a year. Mrs. Broad's health has lately completely broken down, and it is thought that a change of climate and environment may have the desired effect.

J. D. Hunt, of Edmonton, inspector of legal offices, was in town last week for the purpose of inspecting sites for a court house, and he took an option on the old school grounds and building. It is the intention of the government to erect a court house here worth \$40,000 or \$50,000. The boundaries of this judicial center have not yet been absolutely defined, but will be in a short time.

The annual meeting of this association was held in the school house on Monday, Dec. 15th, and the following officers were elected for the year 1914:

President—E. H. Aldwinckle; Vice-President—F. Butcher; Sec. Treas.—C. W. Gaitskell.

Directors—J. Kinley, D. Reister, M. Douglas, E. Ogilvie, G. Brown, F. Stewart.

Delegate to the convention at Lethbridge—E. H. Aldwinckle.

The next regular meeting will take place on Monday, Jan. 5th, and it is to be hoped that members will turn out in force, as there is considerable business to be done. There will be some interesting talks from members of other branches of the Union, and Mr. G. Hutto has very kindly consented to read a paper on some farm subject of interest. Ladies specially invited.

C. N. R. TRAIN WRECKED FIVE CARS BURNED

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—Five passenger coaches and one baggage car were destroyed by fire with a loss of \$80,000, yet no one was injured, when the Canadian Northern express No. 1 was wrecked at Lorett, 18 miles east of Winnipeg, at 10 o'clock this morning.

The train was an hour late from Duluth and Port Arthur and was running at 25 miles an hour when a broken rail was struck by the engine and six cars thrown off the track. In some way the gas exploded in the cars and they were soon a mass of flames. Long before this, however, the passengers had all left the cars and not a single person received as much as a scratch. Among those on the train was J. R. Cameron, assistant general manager, in his private car.

A relief train was sent out from Winnipeg along with a chemical engine of the city fire brigade. The train was in charge of Conductor Rhodes and Engineer McLeod, both veterans of the C.N.R. The locomotive and cars turned over into the ditch, but no one was hurt.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section along side his homestead. Price \$3.00 from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent), and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. (J5 6m)

LACOMBE SECOND-HAND STORE

I buy and sell second-hand goods.

I handle Bankrupt Stock—Clothing, Hardware, Furniture, Beds, Springs and Mattresses, the Famous Monarch line of Stoves and Ranges, Cooking Utensils, Trunks and Valises, Galvanized and Enamelware, Sewing Machines, Guns and Ammunitions, Phonographs and Records, Musical Instruments of all kinds, and Jewelry. Real Estate bought and sold. Get my prices before buying.

(S24-tf) O. BOODE, Nanton St.

the men, it is thought that the perpetrators were the horse thieves.

Inspector Heffernan, of Stettler, has dispatched four constables to effect the arrest, which it is thought will have to be pulled off with every caution, as the thieves appear to be desperate men.

CAMROSE STRIKE GAS; TOWN IS JUBILANT

At a depth of 1,235 feet a large flow of natural gas was struck late Saturday afternoon. Drilling has proceeded only two feet in gas-bearing strata and indications are that a much stronger flow can be secured. Gas has been conducted in surface pipes some distance from the derrick and Saturday night it was lighted before hundreds of spectators. Pressure is sufficient now to supply all present requirements of power plants and town. Citizens are jubilant over the fact that Camrose is another of Alberta towns that has struck gas. The report of several weeks ago was based on small flow attained at only 500 feet, but the real find has now been made with an estimated flow of at least one-half million feet per day.

Arbordale U.F.A.

The annual meeting of this association was held in the school house on Monday, Dec. 15th, and the following officers were elected for the year 1914:

President—E. H. Aldwinckle; Vice-President—F. Butcher; Sec. Treas.—C. W. Gaitskell.

Directors—J. Kinley, D. Reister, M. Douglas, E. Ogilvie, G. Brown, F. Stewart.

Delegate to the convention at Lethbridge—E. H. Aldwinckle.

The next regular meeting will take place on Monday, Jan. 5th, and it is to be hoped that members will turn out in force, as there is considerable business to be done. There will be some interesting talks from members of other branches of the Union, and Mr. G. Hutto has very kindly consented to read a paper on some farm subject of interest. Ladies specially invited.

C. N. R. TRAIN WRECKED FIVE CARS BURNED

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—Five passenger coaches and one baggage car were destroyed by fire with a loss of \$80,000, yet no one was injured, when the Canadian Northern express No. 1 was wrecked at Lorett, 18 miles east of Winnipeg, at 10 o'clock this morning.

The train was an hour late from Duluth and Port Arthur and was running at 25 miles an hour when a broken rail was struck by the engine and six cars thrown off the track. In some way the gas exploded in the cars and they were soon a mass of flames. Long before this, however, the passengers had all left the cars and not a single person received as much as a scratch. Among those on the train was J. R. Cameron, assistant general manager, in his private car.

A relief train was sent out from Winnipeg along with a chemical engine of the city fire brigade. The train was in charge of Conductor Rhodes and Engineer McLeod, both veterans of the C.N.R. The locomotive and cars turned over into the ditch, but no one was hurt.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section along side his homestead. Price \$3.00 from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent), and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. (J5 6m)

LACOMBE SECOND-HAND STORE

I buy and sell second-hand goods.

I handle Bankrupt Stock—Clothing, Hardware, Furniture, Beds, Springs and Mattresses, the Famous Monarch line of Stoves and Ranges, Cooking Utensils, Trunks and Valises, Galvanized and Enamelware, Sewing Machines, Guns and Ammunitions, Phonographs and Records, Musical Instruments of all kinds, and Jewelry. Real Estate bought and sold. Get my prices before buying.

(S24-tf) O. BOODE, Nanton St.

attender in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section along side his homestead. Price \$3.00 from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent), and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. (J5 6m)

LACOMBE SECOND-HAND STORE

I buy and sell second-hand goods.

I handle Bankrupt Stock—Clothing, Hardware, Furniture, Beds, Springs and Mattresses, the Famous Monarch line of Stoves and Ranges, Cooking Utensils, Trunks and Valises, Galvanized and Enamelware, Sewing Machines, Guns and Ammunitions, Phonographs and Records, Musical Instruments of all kinds, and Jewelry. Real Estate bought and sold. Get my prices before buying.

(S24-tf) O. BOODE, Nanton St.

K. S. TARUM'S Auction Sale

Tuesday, DEC. 30th

Commencing at 10.30. Instructed by K. S. Tarum, I will sell by Public Auction, on the above date, at his place, 4 miles north and 1 mile east of Clive, the following farm property:

HORSES.

1 Grey Gelding, 6 years old, weight 1,100; 1 Bay Mare, 7 years old, weight 1,100, in foal; 1 Grey Pony, 6 years old, kind and gentle.

CATTLE.

6 choice Milk Cows, a part of which are giving milk, balance fresh soon; 6 Calves; 3 heifers; 1 Steer.

HOGS, CHICKENS, POTATOES AND HAY.

1 Brood Sow; 19 Shoats; 1 dozen Hens; 7 tons Timothy Hay; 3 Stacks Straw; 25 bushels of good Potatoes.

Potatoes IMPLEMENTS

Wagon; Huggy; Binder; Mower; Drill; Sulky Plow; Breaking Plow; Harrow; New Set Work Harness; Hayrack; Bobsleds; 2 Tubs; Washing Machine and Wringer; Boiler.

Steel Range; Heater; 3 Beds; Extension Table; Cupboard; Clock; Chairs; Sewing Machine; Trunk; Cream Separator; Dish; Cooking Utensils; Lamps; Carpenter Tools and other articles too numerous to mention.

LUNCH AT NOON.

TERMS—All sums up to \$20.00. Cash; over that amount a Credit of 6 months will be given on Approved Joint Bankable Note bearing 8 per cent. Interest; 5 per cent. Discount for cash.

C. F. DAMRON AUCTIONEER

As Mr. Tarum has sold his farm and is leaving the country, everything listed for Sale will be sold absolutely without reserve.

NOTICE

At the New Millinery Store next to the Post Office, we have some lovely New Hats for Xmas, trade at below cost, just a small number; also Pretty Jewelry very cheap and Fancy Embroidery Linens. Kindly give us a call.

MRS. C. FERRIER, Prop.

with food preparations from Beattie's grocery is thorough assurance that you are starting the day right. This also holds good for all other meals, as any article of food purchased at our store can be absolutely depended upon for genuine excellence. We thoroughly test any goods offered us, and retain in our stock only those found good and wholesome.

GETTING BREAKFAST

with food preparations from Beattie's grocery is thorough assurance that you are starting the day right. This also holds good for all other meals, as any article of food purchased at our store can be absolutely depended upon for genuine excellence. We thoroughly test any goods offered us, and retain in our stock only those found good and wholesome.

BAKERY the BEST Always

THE UNEXPECTED GUEST never has cause to question your hospitality as long as our grocery service is at your call. Our stock contains an endless list of dainty, substantial and delicious essentials and table luxuries, most of which are ready to serve or can be quickly prepared. They are among the best of Pure Food Products and are always fresh, wholesome and satisfying.



This Week Specials

No.1 APPLES, box \$2.00

No.1 Swift's Fancy

Back BACON, at 25c.

No.1 Swift's Fancy

HAMS, at - - - 30c.

L. G. Beatty & Co.

No.1 BREAD

"Do You Get That"

If you are not having our

boy call with one of Our

"Cream Loaves" you are

missing a treat.

L. G. Beatty & Co.

GROCERIES always FRESH

GETTING BREAKFAST

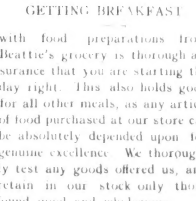
with food preparations from Beattie's grocery is thorough assurance that you are starting the day right. This also holds good for all other meals, as any article of food purchased at our store can be absolutely depended upon for genuine excellence. We thoroughly test any goods offered us, and retain in our stock only those found good and wholesome.

L. G. Beatty & Co.

L. G. Beatty & Co.

L. G. Beatty & Co.

L. G. Beatty & Co.



A. URQUHART & COMPANY, LIMITED



Boys' Clothing

Good Lines and Good Values

in

Boys' Suits, Knickers and Bloomers

Boys' Double Breasted Suits of Brown Tweed Mixture, heavy quality, Bloomer Pants, sizes 24 to 34, \$4.50 and \$5.00

Boys' Double Breasted Suits of Brown and Grey Tweed, Bloomer Pants, will give splendid wear, sizes 29 to 34, \$7.00

Boys' Double Breasted Suits of Brown and Green Tweed Mixture, Bloomer Pants, sizes 29 to 34, - - - \$7.50

Knickers
Boys' Knickers of extra strong Brown Tweeds and Blue Serges, sizes 22 to 32, Special \$1.25

Bloomer Pants
Extra Quality Tweed and blue serge, 25 to 32, per pair \$1.75

Boys' Double Breasted Blue Serge Suits, extra good quality, Bloomer Pants, sizes 29 to 34, \$9.00

Sale of Odds Suits
We have a tableful of Boys Suits, broken lines, mostly sizes 33 and 34, 3 pieces, all knicker pant styles, all reduced to \$5.00

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT BLACKFALDS

A good congregation assembled in the Methodist church at Blackfalds on Sunday evening, the service being in keeping with the festive season. Rev. F. E. Davies preached an appropriate sermon from the text, "Unto you is born a Saviour"; Luke 2:11. Mrs. Davies rendered a solo with much pathos, and the Blackfalds male quartette, Messrs. Hand, Miller, Dunham and Hill, sang very sweetly. The orchestra accompanied the singing of old-time Christmas hymns, Miss Capron presiding at the organ.

DEATH OF MRS. KEITH.

After an illness extending over several months, Mrs. Sylvester Keith (nee Matilda Lyons, of Latimer, Ont.) died on Sunday last. Deceased was 62 years of age, and has resided in this district, near Spring Valley, for some years. The funeral was held at the Lacombe cemetery on Tuesday, and many friends paid their last respects to the departed. Her husband, four sons and one daughter, are left to mourn the demise of a loving mother and wife. She was a kind and good neighbor, and the community will greatly miss her.

LACOMBE FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

A general meeting of the members and provisional directors of the Lacombe Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. was held, on Saturday afternoon in the Town Hall. There was a good attendance and all present entered enthusiastically into the proceedings. The directors were elected as follows:

Capt. Evans, Dr. G. Weger, G. C. Godfrey, J. M. Southward, C. Staack, Thos. Henderson, H. W. Metcalf.

President, Capt. Evans; Vice-President, H. W. Metcalf; Manager, S. C. Hartley. By-laws governing the company were passed and instructions given that policies be issued at once. The manager reported on the business already secured, which was a pleasant surprise to all. The company has secured offices in the Union Bank Building, and is now open for business.

Agents are wanted in every town in the district. The manager will be pleased to give any information requested by parties interested.

SAINT NICHOLAS.

All over Alberta the children talk of the coming of Santa Claus for weeks before December 25th, but there was a time when he was more frequently referred to as Saint Nicholas, the Dutch Saint Nicholas of San Claus. "The stockings that our children hang on Christmas Eve were once the shoes that the children of Amsterdam and New Amsterdam set in the chimney corner on the eve of December 6th, and the

reindeer whose hoofs our children hear represent the horse sleigher from Woden's horse Sleipner, upon whose back Saint Nicholas still makes his round in Holland. When Catholicism prevailed, Saint Nicholas was everywhere the children's saint. In Holland where his personality was modified by memory of Woden, god of the elements and the harvest, he had a peculiar hold on popular affection, which persisted into Protestant times. The children of Holland still believe that he brings the gifts that they always get on the eve of his titular day, December 6th."

CANADIANS ARE MOVING ON TO AUSTRALIA.

London, Dec. 22.—An interesting insight on the problem of Imperial emigration is presented by the increasing number of Canadians and Americans who are emigrating to Australia. Today's despatches from Sydney, N.S.W., report the arrival of a further party of 55 Western Canadian farmers on the way to the Victorian irrigation settlement. The reason assigned for their migration is the superior climate of Australia, which removes the necessity of feeding stock during the winter; higher returns from the land; greater market facilities and cheaper land. There is also an increasing number of irrigators who are taking advantage of the new irrigation settlements in New South Wales and Victoria.

REX Program

Wednesday, Dec. 24.—Two reel feature, "Trail of Steel," "As the Bell Rings," "Binks Ends the War," "Hymayer in Cartoon Land."

Thursday, Dec. 25.—Three reel feature, "The Heavly Fiddler," "Modern Romance," "Universal Weekly," "Willie's Apprenticeship."

Friday, Dec. 26.—"Just in Time," "Fate and Three Powers," "Untold at Gettysburg," "Fate of a Hat," "When Courage Fails."

Saturday, Dec. 27.—Two reel feature, "Fatal Grotto," "Hour of Terror," "Pathe Gazette," "Smalldox Stars at Gaiety." Bill Lloyd.

Monday, Dec. 29.—Two reel feature, "The Pocket Guard," "A Modern Witness," "When Cupid Won," "Some Runner."

Tuesday, Dec. 30.—Two reel feature, "Honor of Lady Beaumont," "Her Service," "Great Towel Robbery."

Wednesday, Dec. 31.—Three reel feature, "When Sherman Marched to the Sea," "Elizabeth," "Misplaced Jealousy." G. JOHNSTON, Proprietor.

MASKED BANDIT HOLDS UP AGENT, ROBS TILL.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Suddenly entering the Northwest Home & Loan Company Saturday evening, when only the agent of the company, Charles G. Carpenter, with his 9-year-old daughter, were present, a masked bandit with leveled revolver, robbed the till of the contents, amounting to \$150. The office is on the fourth building, and Carpenter thought the man was in on business and was surprised to hear the man shout: "Hold up your hands."

The thief was only in the office a few minutes, and by the time the police arrived, no trace of him could be found. This was not the only case of robbery in the city Saturday night, for the window of the Edison Phonograph Company on Portage avenue was broken and a number of valuable watches stolen. A rooming house was also burglarized.

INQUIRY INTO HIGH COST OF LIVING DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The departmental commission which is to inquire into the causes of the high cost of living has not had any preliminary meeting as yet, owing to the fact that Mr. John McLaughlin, who is to be chairman, and Mr. C. C. James are out of the city. It is quite possible that none will be held until after Christmas. No detailed instructions have been given to the board with the exception of those conveyed in the order-in-council, which authorizes them to secure full details on the question both of a departmental and general character.

Consequently until the members of the inquiring body have a formal meeting there will not be a decision as to the exact character of the procedure which is to be followed. It is probable that a number of outside points will be visited, but no itinerary has yet been considered.

In a general way the investigation is intended to be thorough in its character, but it will be for the board to determine how best to accomplish the end which it has in view. It will doubtless be necessary to take evidence, but there are at least some who think that to throw wide open the door to all and sundry will cause all sorts of theories to be advanced and unduly prolong the proceedings, when both the desire and the specific instructions are to expedite as much as possible the finding in the case. It is also a question yet to be determined as to whether and to what extent the hearings will be open.

As to general prices which prevail throughout the country there is already a great deal of information in the hands of the department at Ottawa. What will be necessary to inquire about especially are the prices paid to the producers and those paid by the ultimate consumer and to determine to what interest goes

the big measure of the profits. The reference in the order-in-council to the effect that the members of the board shall receive intimations from their ministers means, it is understood, simply formal authority from their chiefs to begin the work, rather than detailed instructions as to procedure. It will be for the commission itself to determine the latter.

CUT OUT THE LONE AND CHERISH AS WELL AS OBEY.

Saint Louis, Mo., Dec. 22.—After appearing as the principals in a wedding ceremony to Justice A. H. Werremeyer, of Clayton says was the strangest of any of the 3,800 he has officiated at, Dr. Charles M. Maier and his bride departed, for Paola, Kan., where they will spend their honeymoon.

The first departure in the ceremony was when Dr. Maier requested that the word love be left out of the ritual.

"I can see no valid reason for that appearing," said the happy bridegroom. "If there were no love between the contracting persons all the laws in the land could not supply it. So what is the use of having the declaration as a part of the ceremony?"

The next question to the justice was that the words cherish and obey be omitted. This did not surprise the justice so much, as this step has begun to be popular.

"I am a Socialist," said Dr. Maier, "and do not think the pledge should be required of a woman. I am simply putting my Socialist theories into practice. We wanted the ceremony performed legally, but without unnecessary formality."

Dr. Maier, when he bestowed a handsome diamond on his bride, was careful to inform the justice that the jewel was neither a wedding nor an engagement ring. He said it was just a little present.

A CHRISTMAS HYMN.

With the approach of Christmas the thoughts of many turn to the wealth of beautiful Nativity hymns. It is probable that the carol written by one of the best loved of all preachers, Philip Brooks, will be sung in every Sunday school in the land. Bishop Brooks spent the Christmas of 1866 in Bethlehem, and in the following hymn, written for his own Sunday school in 1868, he embodied his meditations during that sacred experience:

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie,
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The silent stars go by,
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light,
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee to-night.

For Christ is born to Mary,
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels
keep.

Their watch of wond'ring love,
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth;
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive
Him still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

SANTA CLAUS DOING RECORD BUSINESS.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The post, office department, with its army of postmasters, clerks and men in the railway mail service all over the country, is struggling with a heavier volume of Christmas mail than ever in the past. The stories of hard times are belied by the increases in mail matter of all kinds, heavy increases in the mails from the Old Country.

Last year when there was only the weekly mail service from the Old Country, the main Christmas mails arrived on December 20 on the Empress of Ireland, and consisted of 23 carloads. This year there is a semi-weekly service and the Corcoran, arriving on Friday, brought 11 cars of mail, while the Britain, reaching Halifax Saturday, brought 18 carloads, 29 in all, or six carloads more than last year. The Gramscian, arriving on Christmas Day, and the Scandinavian about Saturday, will have a small amount of delayed Christmas mail.

The heavy Christmas mails are accounted for, of course, by the largely increased immigration during recent years, and the fact that parcel post rates between the Old Country and Canada are at present much cheaper relative to the rates in Canada. Then, too, the people at home in the old land feel it a duty to cheer and comfort those who have gone so far away and are meeting new and strange experiences. When the Briton arrived on Saturday two special trains carried the mail to Montreal.

From there one special train carried the western mail on to Winnipeg. An interesting feature of the early Christmas mails was the carload for Japan and China received from the boat at Halifax a few weeks ago and sent across to Vancouver to catch the Pacific Line.

Some 1,200 or 1,500 extra clerks were taken on at post offices in all the cities and larger towns to help handle the Christmas rush. In all the busier centres the staffs are larger than last year.

In Toronto 200, and similar increases are made to the staffs in other places. The extra clerks are employed for a month.

HUERTA SENTENCED TO BE HANGED SOON.

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—"The traitors Huerta and Blanquet, after a very short recess, will be publicly degraded and hanged from the balconies of the national palace as a warning to all. The rest of the cabinet will be shot, after being judged."

Such is the sentence passed upon the executive and his official family by Emilio Zapata, in a circular dated Nipala Alta, December 16, which appeared in the capital tonight and was addressed to the inhabitants of the city of Mexico.

BEGINNING OF THE END OF PRESIDENT HUERTA.

London, Dec. 22.—The Daily News, in an editorial on the Mexican situation, considers the suspension of cash payments by the banks as indicative of the approaching collapse of the Huerta regime, and gives credit to President Wilson's "steadfast policy."

Zapata says that at a war council it was decided to take the city by fire and sword, "on a day which for the better success of the assault, is to be unknown until the moment the fight begins."

Merry Christmas! Mr. Dresser.



D. Cameron, wishes his Friends and Patrons a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year

D. CAMERON
TAILOR
CLEANING
PRESSING
REPAIRING
Opp. Adelphi Hotel

Worthy of the world's best music

To most of us the chance to hear human playing of good music comes infrequently. Only in the great cities are the appetites of the music-hungry satisfied. Even then one can hear but a small part of all the worth while concerts.

Fortunately for those who love the masters of the past, and who have the judgment to recognize in present day composers the masters of the future, there is the Edison Phonograph. It is worthy of Wagner, of Bach, of Puccini. The clear, sweet tone, remarkable in its purity, is simply a translation of human music into your own home. Unless you have heard the newest Edison, you have no conception of their wonderful mellow quality. You never realized that such beauty could be applied to sound.

Ask your Edison dealer to play one of the Blue Amberol Records—then you will know that the whole world of good music—past and present—is open to you.



Edison Amberol
Has Diamond-Paint Records, double and single, 10 and 15 inch, 78, 80, 84, 88, 90, 95, 100, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496, 498, 500, 502, 504, 506, 508, 510, 512, 514, 516, 518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544, 546, 548, 550, 552, 554, 556, 558, 560, 562, 564, 566, 568, 570, 572, 574, 576, 578, 580, 582, 584, 586, 588, 590, 592, 594, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 608, 610, 612, 614, 616, 618, 620, 622, 624, 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636, 638, 640, 642, 644, 646, 648, 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, 664, 666, 668, 670, 672, 674, 676, 678, 680, 682, 684, 686, 688, 690, 692, 694, 696, 698, 700, 702, 704, 706, 708, 710, 712, 714, 716, 718, 720, 722, 724, 726, 728, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748, 750, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 764, 766, 768, 770, 772, 774, 776, 778, 780, 782, 784, 786, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 798, 800, 802, 804, 806, 808, 810, 812, 814, 816, 818, 820, 822, 824, 826, 828, 830, 832, 834, 836, 838, 840, 842, 844, 846, 848, 850, 852, 854, 856, 858, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 870, 872, 874, 876, 878, 880, 882, 884, 886, 888, 890, 892, 894, 896, 898, 900, 902, 904, 906, 908, 910, 912, 914, 916, 918, 920, 922, 924, 926, 928, 930, 932, 934, 936, 938, 940, 942, 944, 946, 948, 950, 952, 954, 956, 958, 960, 962, 964, 966, 968, 970, 972, 974, 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986, 988, 990, 992, 994, 996, 998, 1000.

Thomas A. Edison
A complete line of Edison Phonographs and Records will be found at
The McDermid Drug Company

This oven test means bake-day "luck"

If your baking results vary, you may find the reason in the flour. For there is only one way that a miller can assure you constant success. An oven test must be made.

So we take ten pounds of wheat from each shipment delivered at our mills. We grind this sample into flour. Then the flour is baked into bread.

If this bread proves to be the "lucky" kind—high in quality, large in quantity—we use the shipment. Otherwise we sell it.

You buy luck in flour bearing this name.

No need to merely try your luck.

"More Bread and Better Bread" and
"Better Pastry Too"

Sold by F. E. McLEOD, Lacombe

ROBIN HOOD FLOUR



The quality of Robin Hood Flour reflects the superior milling methods employed in its production.

Made from wheat from the choicest farms of Saskatchewan.

More loaves and more quality to the sack than can be obtained from any other flour—costs more, but better.

Sold on a money-back guarantee.

Robin Hood Flour



The only building material that has not increased in price is

CANADA Portland CEMENT

It makes concrete that you can depend upon for satisfactory results, whether you use it for a sidewalk or a garden walk.

High quality and low price are made possible by efficient organization and manufacturing economies due to a large and growing demand. See that every bag of cement you buy bears the "Canada" label—it is your guarantee of satisfaction.

Canada Cement Company Limited, Montreal

Write for a free copy of the book "What the Farmer Can Do With Concrete."

COMMON ECONOMIC LAW REGULATES COST OF LIVING

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—Everyone these days has a brand new reason for the high cost of living. Sir Wilfrid Laurier says it is the high tariff. Hon. George E. Foster suggests extravagance. Too much prosperity says Hon. T. W. Crothers. Prof. Leacock remarks that it is over production of gold while Anna Shaw says it is over-dress. There are about as many different views as there are economists and politicians.

However, Hon. Martin Furrell, minister of agriculture, seems to be the only one who has hit upon the simplest and most natural explanation of all and that is the production of food products in Canada has not kept pace with the demand. Supply and demand is a well-known law of economics which no one seems to have thought about applying to the present case. The facts are that the farmers of Canada have not kept step with the development of the country and the result is that today in Canada there are more consumers with fewer producers. The natural outcome has been higher prices. There are doubtless many contributory causes, but the main one after all seems to be an application of the law of supply and demand.

Census figures just published show that the rural population in Eastern Canada has actually declined during the past decade, while our urban population has been rapidly increasing. During the decade the rural population, including the west, increased only 17.20 per cent., while the increase in the urban population was 62.28 per cent. But from a standpoint of production the situation is worse. Of the older provinces Quebec is the only one where the rural population has not decreased. Ontario's rural population during the decade declined 4.18 per cent., Nova Scotia's, 7.26 per cent., New Brunswick's, one per cent., and Prince Edward Island, 10.81 per cent. The rural increase has been entirely in the west and the farmers of the western plains have not tended to solve the difficulty; they have only aggravated the situation.

They have been consumers themselves instead of producers. They have been buying butter, eggs and meat. During the same period the urban population of Nova Scotia increased 45 per cent., that of New Brunswick 28 per cent., and Ontario 41 per cent. Not counting the farmers of the

west there was during the decade an increase in urban population of 1,250,165; there are fewer farmers to feed that many additional mouths. This was in 1911 and immigration figures show some 500,000 new settlers have come in since then, which has added to the difficulty.

During these years that the population has been increasing so rapidly the live stock industry has been actually declining. In 1908 the number of milch cows in Canada was 2,917,746 and in 1912 it was only 2,890,100. Other cattle showed a still heavier decline. In 1908 the figures were 2,954,181 and in 1912 they were 2,831,404. The sheep industry is declining as rapidly. In 1908 there were 2,831,404 sheep, and last year there were only 2,360,000. The number of swine show a still greater decline from 3,369,868 to 2,654,400.

Take the question of eggs. In 1891 there were three hens in Canada for every one of our population. In 1901 the ratio was about the same. In 1911 the ratio was about four to one. Ten years ago 73,000,800 eggs were consumed in Canada. Last year we consumed 143,000,000. Is it any wonder prices are going up. Now for butter. The Canadian farmers have been so far from keeping up with the demand that for the fiscal year ending March 31 there was imported no less than 8,002,434 pounds valued at over a million dollars. Yet butter production has been increasing in Canada. In 1900 we produced 36,000,000 pounds of creamery butter and in 1910, the last year in which there are any figures available, we produced 54,000,000, nearly double. Increased production through the remarkable growth of the urban population and of the west is the explanation.

J. J. Riddick, dairy commissioner, gives the following lucid explanation: In 1903 the branch of the department of agriculture over which I have charge, was operating the creameries in Alberta and Saskatchewan, in which was made about 700,000 pounds of butter. Studying the market situation and allowing for consumption until the following spring, we found that we had more butter than whole western market could handle, including the Yukon, and we had to export six carloads. We sent five carloads to Great Britain and one to Australia. Prices then were under 20 cents a pound. We had, as I said, about 700,000 pounds, we exported over 100,000, leaving practically half a million pounds for consumption in the western markets. This was in 1903. What happened last year? Eleven million pounds of butter were shipped from Eastern Canada to points west during the past season. Five million pounds were imported from New Zealand for western consumption and the creameries in Alberta and Saskatchewan turned out over four million pounds. In 1903 there was a consumption of twenty million pounds of creamery butter, to say nothing of the large increase in dairy butter which passed from producer to consumer all over the country.

You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by City Pharmacy. (2)

Shiloh

The family remedy for Coughs and Colds. Small 50¢, Retail bottle, 75¢. Sold since 1850.

Meats for the Xmas Season

Get your orders in now for your Christmas Turkey, Goose or Chicken

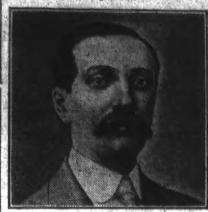


We are securing the very best the market provides.

COLE & SLATER
Telephone 15
Lacombe Alberta

LIFE THREATENED BY KIDNEY DISEASE

His Health in A Terrible State Until He Took "Fruit-a-Lives"



B. A. KELLY, Esq.

HAGERSTOWN, ONT., Aug. 20th, 1913.

About two years ago, I found my health in a very bad state. My kidneys were not doing their work, and I was all run down in condition. I felt the need of some good remedy, and having seen "Fruit-a-Lives" advertised, I decided to try them. Their effect I found more than satisfactory. Their action was mild and the result all that could be expected. My kidneys assumed their normal action after I had taken upwards of a dozen boxes and I regained my old-time vitality. Today, I am as well as ever, the best health I have ever had."

"Fruit-a-Lives" is the greatest Kidney remedy in the world. It acts on the bowels and the skin as well as the kidneys and thereby soothes and cures any kidney ailment.

"Fruit-a-Lives" is sold by all dealers at 60¢ a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25¢, or will be sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-Lives Limited, Ottawa.

CANADA HAS BEEN FEEDING EUROPE FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS.

That Canada has been the granary of Europe for the past three months, and will continue to be so, for some weeks, is the declaration of H. N. Baird, of Winnipeg. This conclusion is arrived at on account of the fact that the United States has comparatively little surplus for export, and that the Argentine and Australian sources have not yet commenced on the export business so far as this season's crop is concerned. This fact and other conditions relative to the grain situation are brought out in a communication from Mr. Baird to R. A. Pike, of the Grain Exchange.

The wheat situation is interesting. There has been a good deal of conflicting news from the Argentine covering crop conditions in that country, and such news has checked any aggressive short selling. The European buyer, however, does not appear to be overdisturbed at the moment.

Canada has been practically feeding Europe for the past three months. There are big supplies of Manitoba wheat heading for the European buyer, which puts him in a comfortable position, and he appears to be sitting back waiting for the Argentine crop to move, which will begin about the last half of December, and it is generally conceded that there is an exportable surplus from Canada amounting to between 89 and 90 million bushels. It is also generally conceded that Australia has about 70 million bushels of wheat, and this puts the foreigner in a comfortable position.

During the past week the market has been very dull, with the range of fluctuations decidedly narrow. Receipts of all grains have been heavier than many of the trade looked for. The influence that these heavy receipts give is that the crop of all grains has been under-estimated, but it is well to remember that we have had ideal weather for the railways to clean up their entire system west of Winnipeg, and the condition of the growing winter crop. The season has been an open one in American territory and over the American wheat belt, and the plant in many places, so it is reported, is premature in growth. (3) It is claimed, would be serious without a proper snow protection, but it is a little early yet to talk damage in the winter wheat territory; nevertheless, the news from that quarter will be very interesting for the next two months, and will bear close watching.

From all reports the majority of the trade in American markets favor higher prices, and on any thing that cannot be confirmed as unfavorable, believe leading interests will support the market.

When you have a bilious attack give Chamberlain's Tablets a trial. For sale by City Pharmacy. (4)

SCHOOLS OF PROVINCE MUST BE KEPT OPEN THROUGHOUT ENTIRE YEAR SAYS MINISTER.

The Hon. John R. Boyle, K.C., Minister of Education, has given out the following interview with respect to compulsory education in this province:

This province is well supplied with public schools; even the remote settlements are, under our laws, able to organize a school district as soon as they have eight children of school age within a radius of four and one-half miles square, and you will find that following settlement promptly all through the remote parts of the province the "little red school house" is being erected.

School attendance is compulsory. All towns and cities in the province are required to employ truancy officers for the enforcement of the act. Besides the local officers the province is at liberty to appoint truancy officers with provincial jurisdiction. Our school inspectors report that the law is being well enforced by the local authorities in the towns and cities, and of course if we should find that any town community is lax in its enforcement we would exercise the power conferred by law to have a provincial truancy officer enforce the act. In rural and village communities the department of education undertakes the duties of compelling attendance at school. All children between the ages of seven and fourteen are required to attend school during the full term unless excused by sickness or other unavoidable cause. Employment of children during school hours is prohibited by law. Being educated at home or in a private school is not an excuse under our truancy act unless a certificate of a public school inspector can be produced showing that the child is receiving proper instruction.

The law was amended at the last session of the legislature to make it more workable, and I think that now we have a very satisfactory act. Our organization for enforcement in the village and rural communities is as follows: Our chief truancy officer is Mr. M. M. O'Brien, who has all the necessary assistance he requires for the purpose; all our school inspectors are truancy officers with provincial jurisdiction; Mr. O'Brien requires every teacher to furnish every three months a truancy report with respect to his or her school, giving full particulars of all children of school age in the district who either have not been attending at all or have not been attending regularly, giving reasons where they are known; the way to cure it, any such failure of attendance and supplying the names and post office addresses of the parents of the children in each case. Upon receipt of these reports they are

checked up by Mr. O'Brien and his staff and letters are written to parents of the children reported, warning them as to the penalties provided by the act, and this is followed up within a month by a letter to the teacher asking for another report on the children of the parents so notified. It is found that in most cases the letter of warning is sufficient to cause the regular attendance of the children, but if it is found that from the report of the teacher the letter has not had the desired effect, then the school inspector of the district is instructed to take the necessary proceedings under the act to have the parents brought before a magistrate and fined. Our inspectors all report that the very fact that we are keeping a close check upon the children that are not attending school regularly and that we are enforcing the law is having a splendid beneficial effect upon the school attendance. Of course, a great deal of fact and good judgment is required on the part of the chief truancy officer.

It is, however, as important that schools be kept open during the whole school year as that the children attending regularly schools that are open. Until the last session of the legislature we were not at liberty to compel a district to keep their school open for more than 160 days unless there were at least 20 children of school age in the district. It is obvious that it is almost as important that a district with only 19 children be kept open the full year as that with 20 children, and the law has been amended now so that schools cannot be closed for a portion of the year except with the consent of the department. The secretary-treasurer of each district is required to notify the department at once if a school is closed, and the department makes investigation and finds out whether the circumstances justify the closing of the school or not. If, in the opinion of the department, closing the school is not justified, we see that it is opened either by the local board or by an official trustee appointed by the department. I believe that under the amended act we will be able to increase not only the percentage of attendance at the schools that are opened, but will very greatly increase the number of teaching days that the schools of the province are open during the year.

A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his shoulder. A friend advised him to go to Hot Springs. That meant an expense of \$150 or more. He sought for a quicker and cheaper way to cure it and found it in Chamberlain's Liniment. Three days after the first application of this liniment he was well. For sale by City Pharmacy. (3)

HAVE YOU MADE YOUR WILL?

If not, you should do so at once. If you will call at the office of A. Hume, Union Bank Building, he will make out your will at a moderate charge.

IS YOUR LIFE INSURED? If not, get a first-class policy in one of our best Canadian Companies—The Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co.

A. HUME, Union Bank Building.

We Want Your Listings.

We Want Your Trading Proposition.

We Want Your Business.

Our Records Should Entitle Us To Your Confidence

THE JESSE FRASER LAND AGENCY

F. L. SMITH, Limited

Wish all Their Customers a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

SMALL DEBT COLLECTIONS

At a meeting of business men held in the office of E. H. Jones on Monday evening, the question of legislation for the collecting of small debts was discussed and the information given that the Retail Merchants' Association of Alberta was doing all in this line that can be done at present. It was also pointed out that not one member of the Legislature had the nerve to press for legislation of this kind, as it might be used against them in the next election.

It was, however, suggested that if an aggressive organization of business men of all the towns of Alberta was formed, taking the place of the present worthless Boards of Trade, something might be accomplished. If any organization of several thousand influential people approached the Government on the question, the Government would be forced to grant relief.

The present ideas of conducting Boards of Trade as a medium for boosting real estate in certain localities, has put the name "Board of Trade" in a position where it can do no good, and no government of this day pays any attention to representations from these organizations. If the business men would organize an association, taking the place of Boards of Trade and working along somewhat different lines, much good might be accomplished.

As the Government is contemplating a radical change in the procedure for the collection of debts, now should be a good time to make a start. At present the cost of collecting a small debt is so great that business men write it off sooner than put out more good money, and it is time there was a change in the system.

Brakeman Killed at Lacombe

A sad accident happened yesterday morning about 10 o'clock in the C.P.R. yards here, as a result of which Thomas Newcombe, brakeman on the east freight, was instantly killed. How the accident occurred is not known, but it is supposed that the unfortunate man slipped on the frosty rail and fell beneath the car he was in the act of coupling. Death was instantaneous, the body being mangled in a terrible manner.

What makes the accident particularly distressing is the fact that deceased was married only a few months ago, his young wife residing in Red Deer, where the funeral will take place.

Deceased was a very popular young man, and was held in high esteem by the officials of the department in which he labored.

Notice

A grand dance will be held in Boode's Hall on Friday, Dec. 26. Music by the Rex orchestra, comprising four pieces, under the leadership of Mr. W. Marlow, late of Edmonton. Supper will be served in Hall at midnight. Tickets, including supper, \$1.00; ladies free. If you want to enjoy a good evening, be sure and attend this dance.

Farmers Take Notice

We are head quarters for Fruit, Flour and Feed and many other things you need

Compare These Prices with What You Have Been Paying

Oranges, 20c, 25c and 45c per dozen

By the Box still cheaper. Buy a box and treat the kiddies.

Apples, \$1.40, \$1.65 and \$1.80 box

Other lines of necessities in proportion

Stanley & Switzer

Lacombe District News

Bentley News

It now looks like colder weather for Christmas. There will be a special meeting of the Bentley Homestead B. of A. Y. at the hall on Saturday night, December 27th, 1913, and all members are invited to be present.

J. B. McPherson has his camp completed northwest of Gilly and is turning out all kinds of lumber.

J. H. Damron's office building is about completed and will be in readiness to occupy this week. Jack is the representative of the Blindman-Lacombe Railway Co. at Bentley, during the absence of the president and vice-president.

Miss Catherine Bulman, of the Calgary city schools, arrived in Bentley Saturday evening for a visit among her many friends here.

F. McLean and family visited at the C. F. Damron residence on Sunday.

The Christmas tree entertainment held in the hall last night was well attended and a most enjoyable time was had.

School closed yesterday and will re-open in January. Mr. Grant has given very good satisfaction and has been engaged for another year.

Methodist service, Sunday, Dec. 28th-Bentley 7.30 p.m.; Rainy Creek 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Subject, "A Straight Question."

The Royal Bank of Canada
BENTLEY, ALBERTA
Sub-branch to Lacombe
Office hours 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

J.P. McPHERSON
Notary Public and Conveyancer
Lomb and Insurance
Issuer of Marriage Licenses
BENTLEY ALBERTA

C. F. DAMRON
Live Stock & Farm Sale
AUCTIONEER
BENTLEY - ALBERTA

20 year's experience buying, selling and breeding live stock qualifies me as a valuator of your stock.

Can render service that will please. If not, no charges made.

Write or phone me at Bentley for terms and dates.

ENGLAND SEES THE POINT.

If the House of Commons passes the Home Rule or any other bill three times, even if the House of Lords reject it three times, then it becomes law when signed by the King. That is the Parliament Act, which is generally regarded as the "reform" of the House of Lords.

Now comes a Unionist lawyer who declares the Lords can simply pigeon-hole the bill when it comes to them the third time and bring it forth month after month to pigeon-hole it again.

Simple? Yes. But in England it naturally was three or four years before anyone saw the point.

In the United States a bill to which one branch of Congress was opposed would be sent to a committee and there remain year after year. But in England it would not be "customary," you know!

Rainy Creek

The young people of the vicinity are enjoying the fine skating on Sylvan Lake.

The patrons of the Carrist school district are building a barn at the school.

Mr. Donaldson is spending a part of his vacation with friends near Lacombe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dane were shopping in Blackfalds and Lacombe Friday last week.

There will be a Christmas tree and program given by the children at the Carrist school Thursday evening.

Mrs. Andrew Bigam was given a surprise last Wednesday evening by a good number of her neighbors and friends in honor of her birthday. A pleasant evening was spent playing games, after which refreshments were served, and all wished Mrs. Bigam many happy returns of the day.

We are sorry to note that E. L. Foster has sold his farm and expects to leave this community about the 1st of April. We understand he intends to locate in the vicinity of Killam, Alta., but hope he will decide to remain in Rainy Creek.

J. C. Carrist and Sons disposed of eight head of horses last week.

Spring Valley News

Miss Rothie left on Saturday for Manitoba to spend Christmas under the parental roof.

Mrs. Makepeace returned from Calgary last Tuesday.

Mr. Aldus, a student at Alberta College, will preach at the school house next Sunday.

F. De La Cour is on the sick list.

This is a delightful time for cutting brush and working in the woods.

Municipal nominations will be held at the school house on Monday, January 5.

Alf. Budden, the Socialist organizer, was visiting the comrades here a few days ago.

15-YEAR TERM FOR PERJURY HOLD-UP AND HORSE THEFT.

Weyburn, Sask., Dec. 20.—A sentence of 15 years was meted out to Samuel Meyers who was arrested at Gravenburg on a charge of highway robbery.

From the evidence it was learned that he had fallen asleep on the prairie and that his horse got away. He then went to a farm house where Louis Seiber resided and asked for a horse to aid in his search, and was provided with one for a charge of \$5.

On his return he handed Mr. Seiber a \$10 bill, and when the latter handed him the change, Meyers drew a gun and demanded all the money Seiber had in the house. He got \$31 and fled. Mr. Seiber immediately set out for Gravenburg and laid information. Meyers was arrested immediately on his arrival at Gravenburg and taken to Regina and later brought to Weyburn for trial.

Judge Wood imposed the sentence. Meyers was found guilty of perjury and of carrying an excessive amount of ammunition at the hold-up.

HEAD OF COMPANY BOUND AND GAGGED.

Guelph, Dec. 22.—Tied hand and foot and effectively gagged, Frank L. Barrett, president of the Barrett Dairy Co., was found Saturday afternoon in an unconscious condition lying on the floor of the boiler room of the dairy. He had last been seen at 11:30 Friday night. He was placed among some papers in the safe when he was struck and knocked down by some unidentified assailant, becoming unconscious. He has no knowledge of who attacked him.

He recovered consciousness some time after being attacked, but was unable to break the harness straps which securely bound his arms behind his back and his legs. He struggled until he again became unconscious. After recovering he succeeded in crawling out of the inner recess of the cellar to the boiler room, where he was found by an employee who had gone in to fire up. A few dollars appears to be all that was missing from the premises.

FINANCIAL CRISIS HAS BEEN PASSED.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Five cabinet ministers and one ex-cabinet minister, besides other prominent guests, honored the 39th annual banquet of the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association by their presence tonight.

The dining room at the Place Viger Hotel was crowded and the duties of President Geo. A. Mann were comparatively light owing to the wealth of speaking talent available.

Both of the principal speakers of the evening, Premier Borden

and Hon. W. T. White, made reference to the revival of financial stringency through which the country has been passing, and both stated the definite opinion that the crisis was passed.

Mr. Borden described it aptly as a time of rest and recuperation for renewed effort, the prelude to still greater development in the future. The Premier also expressed his sympathy with the ideal of democracy which was developing on both sides of the Atlantic and in Australia.

The idea of giving to all the people equality of opportunity so far as is humanly possible. He added a word more as to his faith in the Canadian people to live up to their opportunities and responsibilities as great nations within the British empire family.

The speech of the Hon. Geo. P. Graham was mainly of the after-dinner order, but he dropped a significant hint that the interests of the east and the west, which were equally concerned in the progress of the country, might be brought together without sacrifice to either.

The Finance Minister, who had spent a day addressing the Canadian Club, going over the harbor works, and inspecting the activities of McGill University, was a little further than the Premier in his reference to the financial stringency. The crisis, he said, had not only been passed, but passed, and Canada had weathered the storm as well as any other nation concerned. He went on to quote the trade figures of the past three years as showing that the country's prosperity continued.

OIL DISCOVERED IN WEST VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—Oil has been discovered in West Vancouver, the discovery having been made two months ago but kept secret until today. There is every indication from the seepage that the ground is rich in the fluid and already 4,000 acres have been staked. The credit for the discovery belongs to A. W. Williams, formerly of Pennsylvania, who has been prospecting in the locality for two months. The streams are thinly coated with oil and samples have been brought here for analysis. The oil resembles in quality the fuel oil of California.

SHORT SATURDAYS FOR ONTARIO BARS.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—The question of provincial restriction of the liquor traffic is now under consideration by the Ontario Government, and it is said legislation will be introduced at the coming session of the Legislature to close all bars in the province on New Year's day, the merger and for the entire day on legal holidays.

Such legislation would round out the restriction laid on the traffic last year, whereby the morning sale was materially shortened.

QUEEN GIVES PRINCE MATHEW LECTURE.

London, Dec. 17.—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales yesterday lectured for the Christmas holidays. It is stated that he looks far from well, his face pale, his eyes dull and generally appearing as if he needs the Christmas vacation badly. His Royal Highness has never been strong and is believed to have been overdoing things between his studies and his frequent dashes to London by motor to attend his royal duties.

The Queen is reported to have given him a very motherly lecture.

Prince Henry of Prussia has returned to Kiel.

The Electrophone Company states that the theft of the opera glasses from Albert Hall on the night of the picture ball is by no means a solitary example of petty larceny. It says it has lost \$100,000 in two years merely from expensive seats through "souvenir collecting" and the blame is not to be put on the shoulders of the Yankees alone.

FIVE ARE DEAD FROM HAZE IN SALVATION ARMY.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Five are dead and a store were injured here, believed to be of incendiary origin, during the destruction of the Salvation Army for men here. Many of the injured were overcome by smoke, while others suffered hurts in making their way from the building. Several of the injured are in a serious condition.

There were 150 beds in the building, 45 of which were occupied by the employees of the Salvation Army. All the employees are accounted for. Almost all of the other beds were occupied by transient lodgers and unfortunately who make their home in buildings of this class.

A charge of incendiarism was placed against a man who gave the name of Frank Myers. He claimed to be a circus rider, and said he last lived in Arizona. The property lost is estimated at \$50,000. It is believed several other bodies are in the ruins.

EMIGRATION MANIA ALARMING ENGLAND

London, Dec. 21.—England faces rather a serious problem what the board of agriculture calls "the emigration mania." Correspondents in Oxfordshire, Devonshire, Dorsetshire, Wiltshire and Hampshire blame the insurance act.

Eleven of every twenty-one men in one troop of yeomanry in Yorkshire are now in Canada. A Toronto correspondent writes of 150 cases in Cornwall in six weeks and some hundreds from North Devon are going in the spring time. From Folke, Dorset, over two hundred have gone 100 ships which float, hither and thither at the mercy of wind and tide in the great wilderness of ice that surrounds the North Pole.

Vilhelmur Stefansson, the founder of the expedition, together with Bert McConnell, and two others, whom he left, the ship shortly before she was carried into the outside ice, are safe ashore at Point Barrow.

This is the news brought to Seattle this morning by Capt. Louie L. Lane, of the Polar Bear, who, together with Eben Draper, Dunbar Lockwood and Will T. Hudson, rushed from the throes of the Arctic to Valdez, and then came to Seattle by the steamship Northwestern.

The Arctic expedition was linked with scientific education and went from the country that was lacking in the scientific equipment necessary to enable it to compete with its more favored rivals. It is understood that the government is to take the subject in hand.

EDUCATION REFORM GREATLY NEEDED.

London, Dec. 21.—Lord Haldane continues to press on the government of the country, and for real reform in England's educational system. Speaking at the National Liberal Club last week, His Lordship said he had no thought of taking an unduly alarmist view when he said that the indifference to education was a great national danger. The art of education was linked with scientific education and went from the country that was lacking in the scientific equipment necessary to enable it to compete with its more favored rivals. It is understood that the government is to take the subject in hand.

HOMESTEAD ENTRIES FALL OFF IN PRAIRIE PROVINCES.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Homestead entries for the first 10 months of 1913, show a falling off of 4,415. The decrease is evident in all of the three western provinces. Saskatchewan had this year 11,939, against 15,543 for the same period last year; Alberta had 18,142, against 11,886; Manitoba, 2,326, against 2,699.

British Columbia, on the other hand, supplied more free farms for the first time, the number jumping from 254 to 1,740.

The homesteads in October included 260 from Ontario, 73 from Quebec, 1 Newfoundland, 563 American, 163 English, 98 Scotch, 45 French, 61 Germans, 192 Hungarians, 70 Swedes, 74 Norwegians, and 137 Russians.

CLAIM DISCOVERY OF CURE FOR MANY COMMON DISEASES.

Paris, Dec. 22.—Prof. Chauveau and Dr. Lucet announce an important discovery which they claim will revolutionize the treatment of typhoid fever, whooping cough and other diseases by vaccination.

They have found that the bacilli, on being subject to movement becomes more abundant and active, enabling the preparation of vaccines of greatly enhanced effect. They have devised an apparatus to keep the cultures in constant motion.

FAMOUS DOCKS AT PORTSMOUTH ARE DEVASTATED.

Portsmouth, Dec. 21.—A fire in the docks here has done damage variously estimated at from \$1,250,000 to \$2,500,000, devastated the famous docks Saturday night and resulted in the loss of two lives and the destruction of the century-old semaphore tower, which is the pre-warrior telegraph days, was the great signalling station between the fleet and the admiralty.

An examination of the ruins today disclosed the fact that two of the three signal men who had remained in the tower to summon help when the fire broke out, were burned to death. The third managed to make his escape through the smoke and flames to an adjoining roof and there fell unconscious. He was subsequently rescued.

Nothing is known as to how the fire originated. When it was first observed from the deck of the new battle cruiser, Queen Mary it had already obtained a good hold on the inflammable material in the loft and sailhouse. All the fire fighting apparatus in the dockyard was rapidly brought in to action and the efforts of the men were devoted to preventing the fire from reaching the main store at the end of the burning building, which was filled with 30,000 tons of heavy oil. After many hours of most strenuous work the fire was got under control. It had then reached within eight feet of this structure. The flames were finally extinguished about three o'clock Sunday morning.

The huge wooden semaphore structure standing on the rigging house was a blazing beacon within an hour of the outbreak and collapsed on the roof of the main tower and building, converting the whole into a fiery mass. Fire raged in the dockyard, from all the warships in the harbor, and the battle cruiser, Queen

Mary, on which brands were falling, was towed out of the danger zone. Many valuable models of old warships, records relating to Nelson and other periods and naval relics were destroyed.

SAYS KARLUS WITH BARTLETT AND CREW LOST.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 18.—Captain Bob Bartlett, commander of the exploring vessel Karluk, the man who navigated Peary to the North Pole, together with his crew and a number of scientists who joined the Stefansson expedition, have disappeared into the great maw of the Arctic and will never be seen again. They have joined the phantom fleet of more than 100 ships which float, hither and thither at the mercy of wind and tide in the great wilderness of ice that surrounds the North Pole.

Vilhelmur Stefansson, the founder of the expedition, together with Bert McConnell, and two others, whom he left, the ship shortly before she was carried into the outside ice, are safe ashore at Point Barrow.

This is the news brought to Seattle this morning by Capt. Louie L. Lane, of the Polar Bear, who, together with Eben Draper, Dunbar Lockwood and Will T. Hudson, rushed from the throes of the Arctic to Valdez, and then came to Seattle by the steamship Northwestern.

The Arctic expedition was linked with scientific education and went from the country that was lacking in the scientific equipment necessary to enable it to compete with its more favored rivals. It is understood that the government is to take the subject in hand.

"Get out of the road," yelled the robber, and immediately fired. Hall fell to the ground with a wound in his right thigh and in the confusion the man escaped.

MISAPPROPRIATION CHARGED.

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—Elma Jones, a barrister of this city, was charged today before Judge Menzies with having misappropriated \$15,000 belonging to ex-Alderman Miller. Miller was arrested on a charge of bigamy and retained Jones to defend him. Bail was fixed at the sum mentioned and the amount was deposited with the police.

In the event of Miller being acquitted, Jones was to have that sum. This is Jones' story, while it is denied by Miller.

ROMANCE OF NORTH ENDS TRAGICALLY.

Edmonton, Dec. 20.—The story of a shooting affray fifteen miles from here was brought to the city Wednesday and was to the effect that a half-breed girl, named Flora Teeter, and a named Oliver Dunsow, were shot by the girl's brother. From the information learned here it would appear that Dunsow had induced the half-breed woman to go to his home, and when the brother, Samuel, heard of it, he armed himself with a gun and followed them to the house, where the shooting took place. It is understood that the girl is in a serious condition, but Dunsow escaped with only a slight wound in the shoulder. The R.N.W.M.P. have been informed of the shooting and have sent constables to the scene.

LABOR PARTY WINS SWEEPING VICTORY IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 22.—The final figures of the New South Wales general election returns show that the labor party has secured a sweeping victory. The new parliament is composed of 50 Labor, 38 Liberals, including 6 who are candidates put forward by the farmers, and 2 Independent candidates.

The mining constituencies returned 10 Laborists, 10 Liberals, 10 farming districts 12 Liberals and 9 Labor members. The pastoral vote elected from the Laborites and the dairying interests 11 Laborists and 2 Independents.

O. PALMER'S Auction Sale

Instructed by Mr. Palmer, who is leaving the country, I will sell by Public Auction the following goods, at the new Block on Dolmae street, near Empress Hotel, Saturday, JAN. 3rd at 1 o'clock sharp.

Extension Dining Table; 6 Dining Room Chairs; Combination of Case and Drawers; 2 Rocking Chairs; 1 Small Stand; 1 Porcelain Stand; Lounge or Couch; Cot Lounge; Eight-Day Clock; Wood-bridge Organ; good as new; Organ Stand; Heavy Iron Bedstead; Brass ornaments; Marble Top Dresser; Marble Top Bureau; 2 Dressers; 3 Bureaus; 3 Bedroom Chairs; 3 Iron Bedsteads; 3 Bed Springs; 3 Mattresses; Carpets; Horsehide Robe; Kitchen Table; Mixer; Dish; Kettles; Pans; Kitchen Chairs; Churn; Bread Buckets; Lanterns, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms Cash Everything will be sold without reserve.

C. F. DAMRON AUCTIONEER Oswald Palmer, Owner.